1	BEFORE THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION				
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3	NANPA,) DOCKET NO. On Behalf of the Illinois) 00-0677				
4	Telecommunications Industry)				
5	Petition for Approval of) Numbering Plan Area Relief)				
6	Planning for the 618 Area Code.)				
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	JUDGE ALBERS: By the authority vested in me by
3	the Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket
4	Number $00-0677$. This docket concerns the petition
5	of NeuStar seeking area code relief for the 618 area
6	code.
7	May I have the appearances for the record,
8	please. Why don't we start at the table.
9	MR. MOORE: On behalf of First Cellular of
10	Southern Illinois, Wabash Telephone Cooperative,
11	Inc., Crossville Telephone Company, Hamilton County
12	Telephone Coop, Shawnee Telephone Company, Inc., and
13	Flat Rock Telephone Coop, Inc., Stephen Moore,
14	Rowland & Moore, 77 West Wacker Drive, Suite 4600,
15	Chicago, Illinois 60601.
16	MR. SMITH: Judge, my name is Gary Lloyd Smith.
17	My business address is 1204 South Fourth Street,
18	Springfield, Illinois 62703. I'm an attorney
19	licensed to practice in Illinois, and I'm appearing
20	on behalf of Alhambra-Grantfork Telephone Company.
21	MR. GUERRA: On behalf of Verizon North Inc.
22	and Verizon South Inc., Mike Guerra of the law firm

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- 20 Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association, and
- 21 Madison Telephone Company, Joseph D. Murphy, 306
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- 1 MR. STANTON: On behalf of the Staff of the
- 2 Illinois Commerce Commission, Thomas R. Stanton,
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- JUDGE ALBERS: And on the phone.
- 6 MS. LUCAS: Julie Lucas, on behalf of the
- 7 Citizens Utility Board, 208 South La Salle, Suite
- 8 1760, Chicago, Illinois 60604.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Are there any other appearances
- 10 over the telephone?
- MS. MILLER: Kimberly Miller for NeuStar, 1120
- 12 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Suite 400, Washington, D.C.
- 13 20005, and with me today is Frank Colaco.
- 14 JUDGE ALBERS: Are there any others wishing to
- 15 enter an appearance?
- MR. ARNOLD: Mike Arnold, Grafton Telephone
- 17 Company, 119 East Main Street, Grafton, Illinois.
- 18 MS. SMITH: Dana Smith, on behalf of Verizon
- 19 Wireless.
- MS. MANN-STADT: Excuse me.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Are these witnesses?
- MS. SMITH: Yeah, I'm just a witness.

1	JUDGE ALBERS:	Okay. I'm ju	st asking for the
2	appearances for the	attorneys for	the parties,
3	unless a party is re	presenting it	self.

Any other appearances? Let the record show no response.

Well, the purpose of this hearing is to take evidence on which geographic split options each party prefers. As far as preliminary matters though, I have a few.

I have the petitions to intervene. I received quite a few since last time. Is there any objection to any of the following petitions to intervene:

Madison Telephone Company, Home Telephone Company,

Harrisonville Telephone Company, Grafton Telephone

Company, First Cellular of Southern Illinois,

Alhambra Grantfork Telephone Company, Crossville

Telephone Company, Wabash Telephone Cooperative,

Inc., Flat Rock Telephone Coop, Inc., Hamilton

County Telephone Co-op, and the City of Columbia?

Hearing no objections, then all those petitions to intervene are granted.

There were also two other outstanding motions,

- 1 I believe one of them being Staff's motion for leave 2 to file the Supplemental Direct Testimony of Harvey Nelson. Is there any objection to that? I assume I 3 4 would have heard of it by now if there were. That motion is granted.
- 6 And I also believe there was another motion 7 from --

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- 8 MR. MOORE: We filed one on behalf of -- I 9 think we only did one for First Cellular of Southern 10 Illinois, even though -- that was the substantive testimony. We also filed I'll call it me too 11 12 testimony in the other cases and didn't clutter the record with additional motions on those. 13
- 14 JUDGE ALBERS: Is there any objection to that 15 motion? Hearing none, then that motion --
- 16 MS. MILLER: This is Kimberly Miller. I 17 couldn't hear the motion.
- JUDGE ALBERS: First Cellular filed a motion 18 19 for leave to file its rebuttal testimony after the 20 designated filing date in light of Staff's additional direct testimony. Did you receive that 21 22 motion?

- 1 MS. MILLER: Yes. Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. And no one -- do you have
- 3 any objection to that?
- 4 MS. MILLER: No.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Hearing no objection,
- 6 then that motion is granted as well.
- 7 Are there any other preliminary matters? Okay.
- Before we swear the witnesses in, I had one
- 9 question for Ms. Miller. Can you advise us on the
- status of the 618 area code, please?
- 11 MS. MILLER: Yes, I can, and Frank Colaco can
- jump in here with me if I misstate anything, but the
- official projected exhaust remains at third quarter
- 14 2002, which is the same that we stated in previous
- hearings, and as of right now there are -- as of
- 16 January there are 680 NXXs that have been assigned
- 17 and there are 88 available NXXs.
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: And to refresh my memory, how
- 19 many NXXs are considered unassignable?
- 20 MS. MILLER: Thirty-two. There are thirty-one
- 21 unavailable and one protected.
- JUDGE ALBERS: What's that one protected one?

- 1 MS. MILLER: Frank, can you speak to that?
- MR. COLACO: Yes. Let me refer to my
- 3 documentation.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Could you speak up there,
- 5 Mr. Colaco?
- 6 MR. COLACO: Yes, I can. Is that better?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Barely.
- 8 MR. COLACO: I apologize. It must be my
- 9 connection.
- 10 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- MR. SMITH: Did we lose him?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Are you still there, Mr. Colaco?
- MR. COLACO: Yes, I am. I apologize for the
- 14 delay. I'm looking at my records here.
- I don't have a specific NXX that is designated
- as protected. I have a number of them that are
- 17 unavailable for assignment for various reasons.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. That's all right. Don't
- worry about it.
- MR. COLACO: Okay.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. I'll go ahead and swear
- all the witnesses at once then, so if you're

- 1 testifying today, please stand and raise your right
- 2 hand.
- 3 (Whereupon the witnesses were sworn
- 4 by Judge Albers.)
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Thank you.
- 6 MR. SMITH: Did that include the guys on the
- 7 phone?
- JUDGE ALBERS: I hope it did.
- 9 MR. SMITH: Okay. Just as long as they know.
- JUDGE ALBERS: The witnesses appearing by
- 11 phone, did you -- were you standing with your right
- 12 hand raised?
- 13 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Yes.
- 14 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Yes.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- Well, go ahead, Mr. Moore.
- 17 MR. MOORE: One at a time?
- 18 MR. FODOR: Is it my understanding that the
- witnesses on the phone are to be not crossed. Do
- you think maybe we ought to deal with them first in
- case they want to get off and not listen for the
- whole day?

- 1 MR. SMITH: Or do they?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Is there any objection to doing
- 3 that?
- 4 MR. SMITH: No.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 6 MS. MANN-STADT: Excuse me. Dana Smith should
- 7 probably wait to go after your witnesses.
- 8 MR. FODOR: Okay.
- 9 MS. MANN-STADT: There's some slight correction
- 10 necessary we believe in the testimony of others in
- terms of their citation of what Verizon Wireless
- represented, so it would be more efficient to let
- your witnesses go first.
- 14 MR. FODOR: Okay. One of those is Mr. Arnold,
- and he's on the phone. I think everyone has agreed
- that they have no cross for Mr. Arnold. I have an
- 17 affidavit with his testimony here, but I also have
- 18 him on the phone, so.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. FODOR: And he can speak to the correction
- that you're talking about.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Do you have an extra copy of the

- 1 affidavit?
- MR. FODOR: Yeah, I do. There's the affidavit
- 3 for the direct, and there's the affidavit for the
- 4 rebuttal.
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.
- Go ahead.
- 7 MR. FODOR: Okay.
- 8 PAUL MICHAEL ARNOLD
- 9 called as a witness on behalf of Grafton Telephone
- 10 Company, having been first duly sworn, was examined
- and testified telephonically as follows:
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. FODOR:
- Q. Mike, are you there on the phone?
- 15 THE WITNESS:
- 16 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Do you want to go ahead and state your full
- name for the Court Reporter, please?
- 19 A. Paul Michael Arnold.
- Q. Okay. And did you prefile some direct and
- 21 rebuttal testimony in this case?
- 22 A. Yes, I did.

- 1 Q. Do you have it sitting in front of you where
- 2 you're at?
- 3 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Okay. Looking at the direct testimony, was it
- 5 identified as Grafton Telephone Company Exhibit 1.0?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And if I asked you those questions today, would
- 8 you give the same answers that are written on the
- 9 prefiled testimony?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. Looking at your prefiled rebuttal
- 12 testimony, is it identified as Grafton Telephone
- 13 Company Exhibit 2.0?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. Is it your understanding that on page 2 of that
- prefiled testimony, line 13, we need to strike out
- the words "Verizon Wireless"?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- MR. FODOR: Okay. Your Honor, for your
- 20 purposes and everyone else in the room, we
- 21 misidentified Verizon Wireless as supporting Map No.
- 22 8. Their testimony speaks for itself, but they do

- 1 not support Map No. 8.
- 2 Is everybody ready?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Would you repeat that
- 4 correction?
- 5 MR. FODOR: Yeah. Page 2 of the rebuttal, line
- 6 13, strike out "Verizon Wireless".
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 8 MR. FODOR: So it would now read: "Yes, First
- 9 Cellular and a number of small telephone companies".
- 10 Q. Okay. Mike, with that correction, if I were to
- ask you the questions on Exhibit 2 today, would you
- 12 give the same answers?
- 13 A. Yes, I would.
- MR. FODOR: That's all I have for Mr. Arnold,
- 15 Your Honor. I would offer Grafton Exhibit 1.0 and
- 16 Grafton Exhibit 2.0.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Do you have extra copies of
- 18 Grafton Exhibit 2.0 for the Court Reporter since it
- 19 has been changed?
- MR. FODOR: Yeah, I do.
- JUDGE ALBERS: I just need one extra copy
- 22 actually.

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              MR. GUERRA: I have them both.
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                       (Whereupon Grafton Exhibit 2.0
                       Revised was marked for
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                       identification.)
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Is there any objection to
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         Grafton Exhibits 1.0 or 2.0? Hearing none, then
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         they're admitted.
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                       (Whereupon Grafton Exhibits 1.0 and
 9
                       2.0 were received into evidence.)
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              MR. FODOR: Thank you.
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Why don't we call 2.02.0
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         Revised.
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              Is there anything else for Mr. Arnold?
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              MR. FODOR: No. That's all I have.
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
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              MR. FODOR: Thanks, Mike.
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              THE WITNESS: Thank you.
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                       (Witness excused.)
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Are there any other witnesses on
20
         the phone?
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              MS. MANN-STADT: I believe the Staff has cross
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         for my witness.
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- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Right.
- 2 MR. MURPHY: I have a witness that a lot of
- 3 people have cross for on the phone.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. We'll go ahead and I
- 5 guess just start with Mr. Moore then.
- 6 MR. MOORE: I'll do each company by itself?
- 7 JUDGE ALBERS: Yes.
- 8 MR. MOORE: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE ALBERS: Got different exhibits for them,
- 10 right?
- MR. MOORE: Yeah.
- 12 MICHAEL P. PETROUSKE
- called as a witness on behalf of various independent
- 14 telephone companies, having been first duly sworn,
- was examined and testified as follows:
- 16 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MOORE:
- 18 Q. Would you please state your name?
- 19 THE WITNESS:
- 20 A. My name is Michael P. Petrouske,
- P-E-T-R-O-U-S-K-E.
- Q. Now I show you what has been marked for

- identification as Southern Illinois RSA Partnership
- 2 d/b/a First Cellular of Southern Illinois, Direct
- 3 Testimony of Michael Petrouske. Did you write this
- 4 testimony?
- 5 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And if asked the same questions today, would
- 7 you give same answers?
- 8 A. Yes, I would.
- 9 Q. This has not changed since it was filed on
- 10 e-Docket?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. I now show you what has been marked for
- identification as Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- 14 Petrouske on Behalf of Southern Illinois RSA
- 15 Partnership d/b/a First Cellular of Southern
- 16 Illinois. Did you write this testimony?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And if asked the same questions today, would
- 19 you give the same answers?
- 20 A. Yes, I would.
- Q. And have there been any changes since it was
- filed on e-Docket?

- 1 A. No, there haven't.
- MR. MOORE: At this time I offer Mr. Petrouske
- 3 for cross-examination and move into evidence the two
- 4 pieces of testimony.
- 5 MR. BUTTS: Would it be more efficient to have
- 6 him identify all of the testimony that he's -- I
- 7 think his answers are going to be the same for all
- 8 the witnesses.
- 9 JUDGE ALBERS: Are there questions for
- 10 Mr. Petrouske?
- 11 MR. FODOR: (Raises hand.)
- 12 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. You have questions?
- 13 Okay.
- 14 MR. MOORE: Procedurally, this testimony is
- 15 substantive. The others agree with this testimony.
- I don't know how you want to handle it. They don't
- 17 have the -- they are different in that sense, but
- they are identical once you get to that point.
- MR. BUTTS: I just thought you could introduce
- them all at once and we could save some time.
- 21 JUDGE ALBERS: That's fine. Go ahead and do
- 22 that.

- 1 MR. MOORE: Okay.
- 2 JUDGE ALBERS: And then if your questions
- 3 pertain to a particular -- okay.
- 4 MR. MOORE:
- 5 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- 6 identification as the Direct Testimony of Michael
- 7 Petrouske on Behalf of Wabash Telephone Cooperative,
- 8 Inc. if asked -- did you draft this testimony?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 Q. And if asked these questions, would you give
- 11 the same answers today?
- 12 A. Yes, I would.
- 13 Q. Have there been any changes since it was filed
- on e-Docket?
- 15 A. No, there haven't.
- 16 Q. I now show you what has been marked for
- identification as the Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- 18 Petrouske on behalf of Wabash Telephone Cooperative,
- 19 Inc. Did you draft this testimony?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- 21 Q. And have there been any changes since this
- testimony was filed on e-Docket?

- 1 A. No, there have not.
- 2 Q. I now show you what has been marked for
- 3 identification as the Direct Testimony of Michael
- 4 Petrouske on Behalf of Hamilton County Telephone
- 5 Coop. Did you draft this testimony?
- 6 A. Yes, I did.
- 7 Q. And if asked the same questions, would you give
- 8 the same answers?
- 9 A. Yes, I would.
- 10 Q. And have there been any changes since this was
- filed on e-Docket?
- 12 A. No, there haven't.
- 13 Q. I now show you what has been marked for
- identification as the Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- 15 Petrouske on Behalf of Hamilton County Telephone
- 16 Coop. Did you draft this testimony?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And if asked the same questions, would you give
- the same answers today?
- 20 A. Yes, I would.
- Q. And have there been any changes in this
- testimony since it was filed on e-Docket?

- 1 A. No, there haven't.
- 2 Q. I now show you what has been marked for
- 3 identification as the Direct Testimony of Michael
- 4 Petrouske on Behalf of Shawnee Telephone Company,
- 5 Inc. did you draft this testimony?
- 6 A. Yes, I did.
- 7 Q. And if asked the same questions, would you give
- 8 the same answers?
- 9 A. Yes, I would.
- 10 Q. And have there been any changes since this was
- filed on e-Docket?
- 12 A. No, there haven't.
- 13 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- identification as Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- 15 Petrouske on Behalf of Shawnee Telephone Company.
- Did you draft this testimony?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And have there been any -- if asked the same
- 19 questions today, would you give the same answers?
- 20 A. Yes, I would.
- Q. And have there been any changes since this was
- filed on e-Docket?

- 1 A. No, there haven't.
- 2 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- 3 identification as the Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- P. Petrouske on Behalf of Shawnee Telephone Company.
- 5 Did you draft this testimony?
- 6 A. Yes, I did.
- 7 Q. And if asked the same questions today, would
- 8 you give the same answers?
- 9 A. Yes, I would.
- 10 Q. And have there been any changes in this
- 11 testimony since it was filed on e-Docket?
- 12 A. No, there haven't.
- 13 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- identification as the Direct Testimony of Michael
- 15 Petrouske on Behalf of Flat Rock Telephone Co-op,
- 16 Inc. did you draft this testimony?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And if asked the same questions today, would
- 19 you give the same answers today?
- 20 A. Yes, I would.
- Q. Have there been any changes since this was
- filed on e-Docket?

- 1 A. No, there haven't.
- 2 MR. MOORE: At this time I move into evidence
- 3 the direct testimony and rebuttal testimony of
- 4 Mr. Petrouske in behalf of each of the --
- 5 A. You forgot Crossville.
- 6 Q. I'm sorry?
- 7 MR. SMITH: Crossville.
- 8 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- 9 identification as the Direct Testimony of Michael
- 10 Petrouske on Behalf of Crossville Telephone Company.
- 11 Is this your -- did you draft this testimony?
- 12 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And if asked the same questions, would you give
- same answers today?
- 15 A. Yes, I would.
- 16 Q. And have there been any changes since this
- 17 testimony was filed on e-Docket?
- A. No, there haven't.
- 19 Q. Now I show you what has been marked for
- identification as the Rebuttal Testimony of Michael
- 21 Petrouske on Behalf of Crossville Telephone Company.
- 22 Did you draft this testimony?

- 1 A. Yes, I did.
- 2 Q. And if asked the same questions today, would
- 3 you give the same answers?
- 4 A. Yes, I would.
- 5 Q. And have there been any changes in this
- 6 testimony since it was filed on the e-Docket?
- 7 A. No, there haven't.
- 8 MR. MOORE: At this time I move into evidence
- 9 the direct and rebuttal testimony of Mr. Petrouske
- on behalf each of the six companies that we've
- 11 referred to above.
- MR. SMITH: No objection.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any other objection or lack
- thereof? Hearing none, then the exhibits are all
- 15 admitted.
- 16 (Whereupon the Direct and Rebuttal
- 17 Testimony of Michael Petrouske for
- 18 Southern Illinois RSA Partnership
- 19 d/b/a Wabash Telephone Cooperative,
- 20 Hamilton County Telephone Co-op,
- 21 Shawnee Telephone Company, Flat Rock
- 22 Telephone Co-op and Crossville

- 1 Telephone Company were received into
- 2 evidence.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Mr. Fodor, you had some
- 4 questions?
- 5 MR. FODOR: I think I have some. I think
- 6 Staff's counsel had some too. Mine may be
- 7 extensive. I'm going to ask him about the math, so
- 8 if everybody else that has something for
- 9 Mr. Petrouske would like to go first, it would
- 10 probably be better for everyone.
- 11 MR. SMITH: I just have a few.
- 12 JUDGE ALBERS: Go right ahead.
- 13 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SMITH:
- 15 Q. Good morning, Mr. Petrouske.
- A. Good morning, Mr. Smith.
- Q. Would you refer to your rebuttal testimony of
- 18 First Cellular? Looking at page 4, on line 93 and
- 19 line 103 you discuss the impact on customers. Do
- you see that?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. What do you mean by customers?

- 1 A. I mean by the customers of the providers in the
- 2 618 NPA. The end user customers --
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 A. -- of any provider. If you want to think of
- 5 it as wireless, wireline, competitive local exchange
- 6 carriers.
- 7 Q. But wouldn't you agree though that the impact
- 8 is much broader than just customers?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. There are users who are not customers, are
- 11 there not? Let me ask you a question. For example,
- you have a home phone at your residence?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have any children?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Do those children use the phone?
- 17 A. Rarely.
- 18 Q. Occasionally?
- 19 A. But occasionally, yes.
- Q. And they're not customers. You're the
- 21 customer.
- 22 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. So when you look at, for example, a household,
- 2 the number of users can be much greater than just a
- 3 customer. Would you agree?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 MR. SMITH: No further questions.
- 6 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MR. STANTON:
- 8 Q. My name is Tom Stanton. I represent the Staff.
- 9 A. Hi.
- 10 Q. Does First Cellular offer service in all areas
- in the 618 area code?
- 12 A. No, they do not.
- Q. Could you describe what areas First Cellular
- offers service in?
- 15 A. First Cellular's service territory covers --
- 16 (Pause in the proceedings).
- 17 I'm just looking for the service coverage map.
- 18 Q. Sure. No problem.
- 19 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 20 A. All right. I've got a county listing, if that
- 21 will help. Their footprint basically covers the
- following counties: Randolph, Washington, Perry,

- Jackson, Union, Alexander, Pulaski, Massac, Johnson,
- Williamson, Franklin, Jefferson, Clay, Wayne,
- 3 Hamilton, Saline, Pope, Hardin, Gallatin, White,
- 4 Edwards, Wabash, Lawrence, and Richland Counties.
- 5 Q. Okay. And if I were to obtain service from
- 6 First Cellular, would I typically enter into an
- 7 agreement or contract for service?
- 8 A. You generally would.
- 9 Q. And would that contract for service include a
- 10 term commitment?
- 11 A. Depending on the call plans.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. They also have prepaid call plans and a number
- of items that don't require say, for example, a
- minimum one-year contract to secure the pricing of
- that plan.
- 17 Q. So the general run of the mill cellular service
- 18 is --
- 19 A. General run of the mill cellular service,
- 20 generally when they secure the initial promotional
- 21 benefits and potentially some free air time in the
- first three to six months of a plan, there's a term

- 1 commitment of a year.
- 2 Q. Now if I were to cancel the service before the
- 3 term was completed, would I owe First Cellular an
- 4 early termination fee? And, again, in that run of
- 5 the mill circumstance.
- 6 A. Run of the mill circumstance. I'm not sure
- 7 what the termination fees on service agreements are.
- 8 Q. Okay. But there is a termination fee?
- 9 A. I'm not sure if there is or not, sir.
- 10 Q. Now if the Commission adopts geographic split
- No. 12 and Area A retains the 618 NPA, only cellular
- customers in Area B will have to have their handsets
- reprogrammed. Isn't that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- Q. Okay. Now turning to page 4, lines 85 through
- 16 87 of your direct testimony.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. You state that once a number change
- 19 takes place, every customer of the cellular service
- 20 providers of the 618 area code must visit their
- service provider to have their cell phones
- reprogrammed. Do you see that?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Is that a correct statement?
- A. No. I'm sorry; that isn't. That's a
- 4 misstatement. What I meant was every cellular
- 5 customer in the new NPA will need to make a physical
- 6 trip to their cellular provider in order to get
- 7 their service to work.
- 8 Q. And that's assuming the cellular provider needs
- 9 to actually reprogram the handsets. Is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Right. And they will if the NPA changes for
- 12 them.
- 13 Q. All cellular carriers?
- 14 A. All cellular carriers that are serving the new
- NPA area will have to have their customers come in
- to reprogram handsets in order for service to work.
- 17 That is correct.
- Q. On page 4, line 90 of your direct.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. You indicate there are over 100,000 cellular
- 21 subscribers in the First Cellular territory. Is
- that correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Are all those customers First Cellular
- 3 customers?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. How did you arrive at that figure?
- 6 A. That was a management estimate provided to me
- 7 by First Cellular based on in-house proprietary
- 8 marketing information and other market information
- 9 that they have access to.
- 10 Q. Okay. So you're saying that it's First
- 11 Cellular customers and --
- 12 A. Other wireless providers in their territory,
- 13 yes.
- Q. Now if the Commission adopts geographic split
- 15 Alternative 8 and Area B retains the 618 NPA.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. None of First Cellular's customers would have
- to have their handsets reprogrammed. Is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 Q. If you could turn to page 107 -- I'm sorry --
- line 107 of your direct.

- 1 A. Of direct?
- 2 Q. Yes.
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. Now when you refer to the term "competitors" on
- 5 line 107, you just mean other wireless carriers,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Other wireless carriers, correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. And also on page 5, beginning at lines
- 9 110, probably continuing until about 120, do you see
- 10 that?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. You discuss the work required to be done
- concerning roaming service in the case of a
- 14 geographic split. Do you see that?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Would the work you discuss also be required for
- 17 an overlay?
- 18 A. Not until the point where a wireless provider
- would need to request a new NXX that was assigned
- with a new NPA.
- Q. But at that point you would.
- 22 A. At that point, at that point they would have to

- 1 update roaming agreements to make sure that their
- 2 new NPA NXX numbers worked with all roaming
- 3 partners. That's correct.
- 4 Q. The same as they would with a split.
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. But when you talk about the volume of that,
- 8 that would be a much smaller volume in an overlay
- 9 because it wouldn't happen until, first of all, they
- needed a new NXX that had to be issued with the new
- 11 NPA, and it would only potentially affect that
- segment of their customer base that were going to be
- assigned those new numbers, not put their entire
- 14 customer base at risk, which a split would do.
- MR. STANTON: I have no further questions.
- MR. FODOR: It's down to me then, huh?
- JUDGE ALBERS: It just leaves you, yes.
- 18 EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MR. FODOR:
- 20 O. Mr. Petrouske.
- 21 A. Good morning, Mr. Fodor.
- Q. Thank you.

- 1 Is it true that First Cellular selected
- 2 Alternate Map 8 because of its service territory
- 3 that you just described in responding to
- 4 Mr. Stanton's questions?
- 5 A. Yes. That's the primary reason that First
- 6 Cellular chose Alternative 8 is that it has the most
- 7 insignificant impact on its customer base, and if
- 8 retention of the 618 can be retained in Area B, it
- 9 will also be the map we believe that will have the
- 10 least effect on a number of customers that would be
- 11 affected by an area code change.
- 12 Q. When you were going through the list of
- 13 counties that First Cellular serves, I didn't hear
- 14 you mention Calhoun. Is it true that they do not
- serve customers in Calhoun County?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 O. Is it true that they also do not serve
- 18 customers in Jersey County?
- 19 A. Pardon me for a moment, Mr. Fodor, while I find
- one of the maps that has the county lines on it.
- 21 Q. I could direct you to Alternate 4. It has
- 22 county lines on it, and it also shows the same basic

- 1 boundary line as 8.
- 2 A. That's correct. They also do not have service
- 3 in Jersey County.
- Q. And do they have service in Macoupin County?
- 5 A. No, they do not.
- 6 Q. Okay. Are you looking at Map 8?
- 7 A. I've got Map 12 in front of me. It's got the
- 8 county line delineations.
- 9 Q. Do you have Map 4 with you?
- 10 A. I don't seem to have Map 4 in the set that I've
- 11 got.
- MR. FODOR: I don't really have an extra here
- with me. I'd just like to establish that 4 and 8
- show the same boundary line, Your Honor, so that I
- can have him use one that's got the county lines on
- 16 it.
- 17 (Whereupon said document was
- provided to the witness.)
- 19 A. Yes, I have it in front of me.
- Q. Will you please compare Map 4 and Map 8 and
- tell me if the lines drawn on there represent the
- same Areas A and B.

- 1 A. It appears that they do.
- MR. FODOR: Okay. Just for the record, Your
- 3 Honor, Maps 4 and 8 and 12, they're all in the
- 4 record already, so.
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: Right, right.
- 6 MR. FODOR: So no need to reidentify anything.
- 7 Q. Do you see how the bubble that's drawn around
- 8 Area A creates Calhoun, Jersey, and Macoupin County
- 9 as an island separate from the rest of the Area B on
- 10 that map?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. So if Map 8 were adopted, Area B it would all
- be the same NPA would have these two separate
- 14 islands?
- 15 A. I'm sorry. I didn't understand the question.
- Q. Well, Map 8 that you sponsor.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. It looks the same as Map 4 that you're looking
- 19 at now. Right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Map 4 shows that Calhoun, Jersey, and Macoupin
- 22 County sit up in the northeast corner of the

- existing 618 area code region. Right?
- 2 A. The northwest corner, yes.
- 3 Q. I'm sorry; the northwest. And that northwest
- 4 corner, when you draw the line around Area B, is
- 5 completely segregated from the remainder of Area B,
- 6 is it not?
- 7 A. It appears like it's separated by basically an
- 8 exchange at the very south, southwestern edge of
- 9 where the 217 area code line lies, but yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. Does it make any sense to have two
- 11 separate islands like that from First Cellular's
- 12 perspective since they don't have any service up
- 13 there?
- 14 A. I don't see that it makes a tremendous
- difference one way or the other.
- Q. Do any of your other clients that you're
- 17 representing here today have service up in those
- 18 three counties?
- 19 A. No, they do not.
- Q. Mr. Petrouske, I think the remainder of my
- 21 questions are going to involve the schedules to your
- 22 rebuttal testimony.

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. So at this point you can probably get rid of
- 3 those maps.
- 4 A. Thank you, Mr. Murphy.
- 5 Q. I'll have different maps for you later. I
- 6 promise.
- 7 Have you got your Schedule 1 to your rebuttal
- 8 testimony in front of you?
- 9 A. Yes, I do, sir.
- 10 Q. First of all, I have some questions about the
- 11 assumptions that you used. It looks -- from looking
- 12 at Schedule 2, it looks like you were assuming that
- 40 percent of Macoupin County was in the Area A
- portion of the 618 exchange and that the remaining
- 15 60 percent was in the 217 area code. Is that
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. No, sir. Let me -- may I explain the schedule
- in a little more detail?
- 19 Q. Please do.
- 20 A. The 40 percent is an assumption I made for the
- 21 small business separation once I'd looked up
- 22 essentially township, city, or village detail in the

- 1 census data. There was non-farm business
- information readily available by township, village,
- 3 city level detail. I reviewed the Macoupin County
- 4 map and actually isolated the population and
- 5 business count information for the towns listed as
- 6 note 2 to my assumptions, Benld, Carlinville,
- Gillespie, Girard, Modesto, Palmyra, Scottville, and
- 8 Virden. I then made the adjustments for those
- 9 population numbers. Pardon me; I forgot housing
- 10 units; housing units and businesses based on actual
- detail census data available. I didn't have small
- business count detail available when I did the
- analysis, so I made the assumption that in the
- 14 business entity counts, 60 percent were to be
- excluded from Macoupin County's count, so I excluded
- 16 60 percent of the small business counts as an
- 17 assumption.
- 18 O. So in determining the portion of the small --
- 19 excuse me. You didn't have small business. In
- determining the portion of the non-farm businesses
- 21 to use, did you look at the Hettick area, the
- 22 Chesterfield area, the Medora area, and the rest of

- 1 the cities or exchanges that would have been on the
- 2 Area A of 618 side of the line as well?
- 3 A. No. I just pulled the detailed numbers I
- 4 needed to be able to exclude what shouldn't have
- 5 been there.
- 6 Q. How can you figure a percentage to exclude if
- 7 you don't look at the whole?
- 8 A. I looked at the whole. I identified these
- 9 areas that needed to be excluded, got the detail
- data for these areas, and subtracted them out.
- 11 Q. Did you get the detailed data for Hettick?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Did you get the detailed data for Chesterfield?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Medora?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Shipman?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Woodburn?
- 20 A. No.
- Q. Bunker Hill?
- 22 A. No.

- 1 Q. Prairietown?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Staunton?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Brighton?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. If I showed you a map, I think you'd agree with
- 8 me that --
- 9 A. Those are the areas that should be included.
- 10 Q. Those are the areas that are included on the
- 11 618 side of the line?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. So, again, how do we arrive at a 40 percent
- 14 calculation if you did not look at the detailed
- information about those areas?
- 16 A. I took the county totals that were available.
- I took the detail available for the excluded
- 18 communities and got detailed business entity counts
- for those, and those equated to 60 percent of the
- 20 county total.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. My assumption was that I could then say I

- 1 assume 40 percent remains.
- Q. Okay. And you performed the same function for
- 3 -- the same mechanism for Effingham?
- 4 A. Actually Effingham County, the smaller
- 5 percentage of the county was actually to be
- 6 included, so I assembled the detailed numbers that
- 7 needed to be included since it was a smaller amount
- 8 of data to have to gather.
- 9 Q. Okay. Now that was just with respect to
- 10 businesses, right? You performed a different
- analysis for the population and the households?
- 12 A. The information is available for the business
- entity counts, housing unit counts, and population
- counts and the same level of detail that it's
- available in the county-wide data that it appeared
- to me everybody was using.
- Q. Okay. So focusing on Macoupin County, you've
- determined that 40 percent, 40 percent of the
- 19 businesses are in the Area A side of the line as
- 20 opposed to --
- 21 A. Are in the 618 side of the line, yes, sir.
- 22 Q. Okay. What percent of households did you find

- 1 to be on the 618 side of the line for Macoupin
- 2 County?
- 3 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 4 A. Will you allow me a minute to look that up?
- 5 Q. If you find it, you might hang on to it because
- 6 I'm going to ask you the same question about
- 7 Effingham County.
- 8 A. Macoupin County percentage of households.
- 9 MR. MOORE: In 618, right?
- MR. SMITH: Yeah.
- 11 A. In 618. I'm sorry I don't have a percentage to
- give you, but I can tell you that it will be 4,959
- 13 divided by 21,097.
- 14 Q. Because 21,097 is the total --
- 15 A. That's the total households for Macoupin
- 16 County, total housing units for Macoupin County.
- 17 O. You don't have a specific percentage, but you
- used the same methodology?
- 19 A. I could get actual housing counts and actual
- 20 small business counts and actual population counts
- from the detail of the census data. The only
- assumption I applied that to was the small

- 1 businesses because I couldn't get the small business
- 2 counts -- at least I didn't find the small business
- 3 count information to be down to essentially that zip
- 4 code level.
- 5 Q. Okay. And therefore for the small business one
- 6 you used --
- 7 A. The small business is the only number that I
- 8 applied that assumption percentage to.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. All the rest is actual data. I'm sorry. Maybe
- 11 that wasn't clear.
- 12 Q. That's okay. I just tried to apply the 40
- percent to the numbers in the population column and
- the housing column and it didn't work.
- 15 A. There's actual data available to derive those
- 16 numbers.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. So I'm sorry my assumption wasn't clear enough
- to state that the assumption was only applied to the
- 20 small business count.
- 21 Q. And if I asked you all those same questions
- 22 about Effingham --

- 1 A. I'll tell you the same thing.
- Q. Okay. Looking at the numbers themselves, I saw
- 3 one other difference between your schedules and the
- 4 schedules I think that were distributed to the
- 5 parties by Mr. Nelson in response to my data
- 6 request. Will you look at Richland County on your
- 7 Schedule 1?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Do you have a number of 509 businesses?
- 10 A. 509 business entities, yes.
- 11 Q. Do you have any source data with you from which
- you can check to see if that's right? I'll give you
- 13 a clue. It is.
- 14 A. I don't know if I have my detail backup for the
- business counts with me. No. I apologize. The
- detail I have with me for the general information
- only includes the population and housing unit
- 18 information.
- MR. FODOR: Your Honor, do you mind if -- it's
- 20 kind of crowded. I was going to ask if I could
- 21 approach the witness, but maybe it would be best if
- I just hand this over.

- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: That's fine.
- MR. FODOR: I'm not seeking to admit this as an
- 3 exhibit. I'm just trying to refresh the witness's
- 4 recollection.
- 5 Q. I'm handing you a document, sir, that I think
- is the source material you might have used.
- 7 A. That is the source material that I used for the
- 8 county information.
- 9 Q. And if you look at the line that you obtained
- 10 your business data from, does it say 509 or does it
- 11 say 590?
- 12 A. 509.
- Q. Okay. So then your schedule has the correct
- 14 number.
- 15 A. I believe it to be correct, yes.
- JUDGE ALBERS: For the record, can you just
- identify what that is?
- MR. FODOR: For the record, this is a printout
- 19 from the U.S. Census Bureau Web site under Quick
- 20 Facts, and it specifically is a sheet that prints
- out when you select the county of Richland County.
- 22 Q. Mr. Petrouske, in preparing your Schedule 1,

- were you using Map 8 or were you using Map 6?
- 2 A. I used Map 6 just to make my point.
- 3 Q. Okay. Once again, Map 6, if we were to look at
- 4 it, does not have the county detail, but as I think
- we all agreed before, Map 4 does have the county
- detail. I'm going to show your attorney -- I've
- 7 taken Map 4 with the county detail and I've drawn a
- 8 line representative of the line for Map 6. If it's
- 9 okay with him and the Hearing Examiner -- excuse me
- 10 -- the Administrative Law Judge, I'll show you that
- document, and I'll ask you to refer to it in
- 12 responding to the next set of questions that I'm
- 13 going to ask.
- 14 (Whereupon said document was
- provided to the witness.)
- 16 Will you please compare the document that
- you've just been handed to Map 6 and see if I've
- drawn the line correctly?
- 19 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 20 A. It appears that you have.
- Q. Unfortunately, that's the only one I've got, so
- 22 I'm going to have a hard time asking my questions.

- 1 I'll have to do it from memory.
- 2 Mr. Petrouske, does that map show any portion
- 3 of Clinton County being in Area A?
- 4 A. Yes, it does. It looks like roughly a third to
- 5 a half.
- 6 Q. Did you include any population from Clinton
- 7 County in your Schedule 1?
- 8 A. No, I did not.
- 9 Q. Did you include any households from Clinton
- 10 County in your Schedule 1?
- 11 A. No, I did not.
- 12 Q. Did you include any businesses or small
- businesses from Clinton County in your Schedule 1?
- 14 A. No, I did not.
- 15 Q. Looking at that map, sir, are there any people
- in Jackson County or businesses in Jackson County or
- households in Jackson County that would be on the
- 18 Area A side of the line?
- 19 A. Yes, there would. It appears that the
- 20 exchanges of Ava and Glenn would fall on the Area A
- 21 side of that line.
- Q. Okay. In preparing your Schedule A, did you

- include any population for those portions of Jackson
- 2 County?
- 3 A. No, I did not.
- Q. Did you include any portion of the businesses
- 5 in Jackson County?
- 6 A. No, I did not.
- 7 Q. Or any portion of the households in Jackson
- 8 County?
- 9 A. Are we still talking Area A?
- 10 Q. In Area A, yes.
- 11 A. No, I did not.
- 12 Q. Looking on the map, sir, please, at Perry
- 13 County.
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. Is there any portion of Perry County that falls
- in Area A?
- 17 A. It looks like, based on this map, approximately
- half of Perry County falls into Area A.
- 19 Q. Okay. In preparing your Schedule 1, did you
- include any of the population for Perry County in
- 21 Area A?
- 22 A. No.

- 1 Q. Did you include any of the household for Perry
- 2 County in Area A?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Did you include any of the businesses or small
- 5 businesses for Perry County in Area A?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Look please, sir, at Washington County. Is
- 8 there any portion of Washington County that would
- 9 appear on the Area A side of the line?
- 10 A. Yes. It appears approximately half of
- 11 Washington County is incorporated into Area A.
- 12 Q. In preparing your Schedule 1, did you include
- any of the portion of the population from Washington
- 14 County as being within Area A?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Did you include any of the portion of the
- housing units from Washington County as being within
- 18 Area A?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. Did you include any of the portion of the
- 21 businesses or small businesses in Washington County
- 22 as being within Area A?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. So would it be fair to say that your numbers
- 3 could be better?
- 4 A. Absolutely. My main point was just to
- 5 illustrate that even taking a couple of the counties
- 6 that were included in the initial analysis by the
- 7 parties presented with the testimony filed January
- 8 15th, that there was better -- first, there's better
- 9 data available by which to quantify the impact on
- 10 the customer base for both the A and B side, and,
- second, that I believe it's more appropriate to look
- 12 at other factors in the data which Mr. Harvey and
- 13 Mr. Schmidt both touched on.
- Q. You mean Mr. Nelson.
- 15 A. Or Mr. Nelson. I'm sorry. Excuse me. Instead
- of just population numbers and housing density,
- which really doesn't mean much, and those being
- 18 households, businesses and small businesses, because
- I believe that those more fairly equate to a
- 20 representation of customers than straight
- 21 population.
- 22 Q. But then, sir, don't you take that premise and

- don't you give us some numbers that support your
- theory of keeping the 618 NPA on Area B?
- 3 A. It happens that the numbers worked out that
- 4 way. I think it's more important that the analysis
- 5 is done correctly.
- Q. And wouldn't it be more correct in the analysis
- 7 --
- 8 A. To make additional adjustments? Given more
- 9 time, yes.
- 10 Q. Well, you had time to make those adjustments
- for Macoupin County, didn't you?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And you had time to make those adjustments for
- 14 Effingham County?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Any particular reason other than lack of time
- that you didn't make them for Clinton County,
- Jackson County, Perry County, and Washington County?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- MR. FODOR: I don't have all the data available
- that you do, but I do have the population by city.
- 22 Anybody in the room want to go through it one by

- one? I don't, Your Honor. I apologize.
- Counsel, would you mind if I asked him a
- 3 hypothetical?
- 4 MR. MOORE: As long as it's based on potential
- 5 fact.
- 6 MR. FODOR: I think it's based on answers he
- 7 just gave.
- 8 MR. MOORE: Sure.
- 9 MR. FODOR:
- 10 Q. Are you familiar with Mr. Schmidt's rebuttal
- 11 testimony?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Are you familiar that he engaged the assumption
- 14 that half of Clinton County, half of Washington
- County, half of Perry County, and half of Jackson
- 16 County should be included on each side of the line
- for the 618 -- excuse me -- for the Map 6?
- 18 A. Based on Map 6, yes, I did have a chance to see
- 19 what Mr. Schmidt did in rebuttal.
- Q. Whether or not you agree with the fractions, do
- 21 you mind running through those numbers? I have them
- 22 already done. If you want to check them, you can

- 1 get out a calculator, or I can get one from someone
- 2 else in the room.
- 3 A. I'll trust your numbers subject to check.
- 4 Q. Engaging my assumption, would it be fair to
- 5 take your total housing units for Area A of 254,023
- and add back half of the Clinton County houses?
- 7 A. That may be reasonable.
- 8 Q. Okay. And if we added back half, would that be
- 9 approximately 6,900?
- 10 A. Approximately.
- 11 Q. And if we didn't do any other adjustments,
- since we have to add 6,900 to Area A, do we not have
- to also subtract 6,900 from Area B?
- 14 A. Yes, you would.
- Q. And so that would be approximately the 13,800,
- and that alone would cause there to be more housing
- units on the Area A side, would it not?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And if I went down the analysis and we
- 20 did the same thing for -- we took half of Washington
- County, it would be approximately 3,200?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And half of Perry County would be approximately
- 2 4,700?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And half of Jackson County would be
- 5 approximately 13,400.
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And according to my calculations which you said
- 8 subject to check, does it sound about right that
- 9 that would give us 282,268 houses in Area A and
- 10 237,125 houses in Area B?
- 11 A. It sounds approximately right.
- 12 Q. Is that approximately 45,000 more?
- 13 A. Approximately.
- Q. Okay. Going through the same exercise with
- respect to your column called Businesses, if we took
- the 13,726 total for Area A.
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. And if we added back half of Clinton County
- which would be about 400.
- 20 A. Right.
- Q. Half of Washington County which would be about
- 22 200.

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Half of Perry County which would be about 225.
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And half of Jackson County which would be about
- 5 704, would we arrive at approximately, or exactly,
- 6 15,275?
- 7 A. I would say that sounds reasonable.
- Q. And if we subtracted those, those half numbers,
- 9 from the 14,357 total that you have here for Area B,
- would we come up with an end number of 12,807?
- 11 A. It sounds approximately right.
- 12 Q. And so aren't we looking at a difference of
- approximately 2,400?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And in that instance, again, there would be
- more businesses in Area A.
- 17 A. In Area A.
- 18 O. More business in Area A?
- 19 A. Right.
- Q. Sorry.
- 21 A. And the small businesses would obviously -- the
- 22 adjustments would work the same way, if you were to

- 1 get more precise in the analysis, so that's valid.
- Q. I don't have a specific page in your testimony,
- 3 but don't you conclude somewhere in here, in your
- 4 rebuttal testimony, that there are more houses and
- 5 more businesses in Area B?
- A. Based on just the simple adjustments I made for
- 7 Macoupin and Effingham County, that is correct.
- 8 Q. But now the numbers that we've just gone
- 9 through speak for themselves, don't they?
- 10 A. Yes, they do.
- 11 MR. FODOR: That's all I have, Your Honor.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any additional cross? Do you
- have any redirect?
- MR. MOORE: Can I have three minutes outside?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Actually let me ask one question
- myself here before we do that.
- 17 EXAMINATION
- 18 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 19 O. Your first choice for a relief alternative is
- 20 an overlay. Your second choice is Alternative No.
- 8, keeping 618 on the eastern portion.
- 22 A. Right.

- 1 Q. Do you have a third choice?
- 2 A. We could also concur with Alternative 12 with
- 3 618 retention on the eastern portion, Area B. We
- 4 could also concur with Alternative 2 if retention of
- 5 the 618 remained in Area B.
- 6 Q. And that's the east side as well?
- 7 A. Yes, the east side. Obviously our preference
- is to have an overlay done so that it really
- 9 minimizes the customer inconvenience.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. To everyone's customers.
- 12 Q. And are there any that you adamantly oppose?
- 13 A. The concept of a split.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. As being unnecessary.
- Okay. There's no particular splits that you
- just couldn't live with.
- 18 A. There's no reason to do one, Your Honor.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Fair enough.
- Do you want a few minutes?
- MR. MOORE: Yeah. If I can follow up on what
- 22 you were just asking though, that's for all six

- 1 companies that you're testifying for. Is that
- 2 correct?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- 5 MR. MURPHY: May I ask him a question about his
- 6 preferences that you just elicited?
- 7 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MR MURPHY:
- 9 Q. This may have come up in your listing of the
- 10 footprint for First Cellular, but is there a
- 11 customer impact to any of your clients, including
- 12 First Cellular, that's different between Alternative
- 13 12 and Alternative 6?
- 14 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Murphy. Can you state that --
- 15 Q. Yeah.
- 16 A. Are you saying is there a difference in the
- 17 customer impact?
- 18 Q. Is there a difference in the customer impact to
- your clients, and First Cellular is the one I think
- 20 most likely, is there a difference in customer
- 21 impact between Alternative 12 and Alternative 6?
- 22 A. Yes, there is.

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       Q. And is the same true between Alternative 12 and
 2
        Alternative 11?
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        A. Yes.
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             MR. MURPHY: Thank you.
              JUDGE ALBERS: Five minutes?
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             MR. MOORE: Yes, if that.
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Let's take five minutes.
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                       (Whereupon a short recess was
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                       taken.)
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              JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Back on the record.
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             Mr. Moore, do you have any redirect?
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             MR. MOORE: No, we don't.
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             JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you, sir.
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             THE WITNESS: Thank you, Judge.
                       (Witness excused.)
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             JUDGE ALBERS: I believe next is Mr. Smith.
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             MR. SMITH: Thank you. I'd like to call
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        Mr. Wilkening.
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- 2 called as a witness on behalf of Alhambra-Grantfork
- 3 Telephone Company, having been first duly sworn, was
- 4 examined and testified as follows:
- 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SMITH:
- 7 Q. Please state your name, if you would, and spell
- 8 your last name for the Court Reporter.
- 9 THE WITNESS:
- 10 A. It's Alvin D. Wilkening, W-I-L-K-E-N-I-N-G.
- 11 Q. And, Mr. Wilkening, do you have before you the
- 12 prefiled Direct Testimony of Alvin Wilkening marked
- as Alhambra-Grantfork Exhibit 1 consisting of four
- pages of testimony?
- 15 A. Yes, I do.
- 16 Q. If I were to ask you the same questions set
- forth therein, would your answers be the same?
- 18 A. Yes, they would.
- MR. SMITH: Judge, I have nothing further and
- ask that Exhibit 1 be admitted subject to cross.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- then the exhibit is admitted.

- 1 (Whereupon Alhambra-Grantfork Exhibit 1
- 2 was received into evidence.)
- 3 MR. SMITH: I assume you have some cross of the
- 4 witness.
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: I've got one clarifying
- 6 question.
- 7 MR. BUTTS: I have some questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Oh, go ahead.
- 9 MR. BUTTS: I have a couple questions of this
- 10 witness.
- 11 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. BUTTS:
- Q. Mr. Wilkening, Edward Butts on behalf of
- 14 Ameritech Illinois.
- On page 2 of your testimony, the last Q and A,
- 16 you indicate that your company prefers a geographic
- split only so long as the 618 area code is retained
- in Area A. Is that correct?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- 20 Q. Why?
- 21 A. Part of that would be selfish reasons for our
- 22 customers in our Alhambra-Grantfork area. We feel

- 1 that that would cause less confusion in our area as
- well as the metropolitan East St. Louis area.
- 3 Q. I had one other question. Oh. You are
- 4 proposing, if there were to be a split, Alternative
- 5 6. Is that correct?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. Do you have a map of Alternative 6 with you?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. Would it have any impact on your company if the
- 10 Carlyle exchange, which is an Ameritech exchange,
- it's right near the eastern boundary of the split
- 12 line of Alternative 6, would it have any impact on
- your company if the Carlyle exchange were moved into
- 14 Area A if Alternative 6 were adopted?
- 15 A. No, I would not have an objection to that.
- Q. You would have no problem with that.
- 17 A. No.
- MR. BUTTS: Nothing further.
- 19 JUDGE ALBERS: Any other questions of
- Mr. Wilkening?
- JUDGE ALBERS: My question kind of follows
- along Mr. Butts's.

1 EXAMINATION

- 2 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 3 Q. So if the Alhambra and Grantfork exchanges did
- 4 not retain the 618 area code along with the East St.
- 5 Louis area, is your second choice an overlay?
- 6 A. Very mildly so. We feel that an overlay would
- 7 cause problems to our customers with changing the
- 8 dialing habits and so forth, but we feel that
- 9 changing our area code would also have a very
- similar type effect to our customers, so.
- 11 Q. I guess I'm trying to identify specifically
- what would your second choice be if you couldn't
- have Alternative No. 6 with the western portion
- 14 keeping 618?
- 15 A. Are you asking for alternative maps?
- Q. Well, just if you couldn't have Alternative No.
- 6 with the western portion staying in the 618 area
- 18 code, would you prefer an overlay or a different of
- the proposed alternatives?
- 20 A. The other alternatives, for example,
- 21 Alternative 12 or Alternative 11, would be not that
- 22 much more objectionable than Alternative 6.

- 1 Q. And you prefer those before you prefer an
- 2 overlay?
- 3 A. Definitely.
- Q. Okay. And that was Alternative 12 and?
- 5 A. 12 and 11.
- Q. 12 and 11. With the west side keeping 618?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. And after that, like a third choice, if
- 9 you had one?
- 10 A. I really didn't have a third choice.
- 11 Q. Okay. Are there any particular ones that you
- would oppose?
- 13 A. Not that I can state at this time, no.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. MURPHY: May I ask a clarifying question?
- 16 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 18 Q. If the premise was that 618 would be on the
- east side, would it be your preference to have some
- split map or an overlay?
- 21 A. Probably the confusion to our customers would
- 22 be about the same for both, and, you know, it's

- 1 almost equal, but I think I'd prefer an overlay
- 2 rather than be put in a new area code.
- 3 MR. MURPHY: Thank you.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 5 Mr. Brown [sic], did you have any redirect?
- 6 MR. SMITH: No, I do not.
- 7 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.
- 8 (Witness excused.)
- 9 Let me take one minute here.
- 10 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. GUERRA: Verizon North Inc. and Verizon
- South Inc. would like to call the next witness,
- Mr. Matt Johnson.
- 15 C. MATTHEW JOHNSON
- called as a witness on behalf of Verizon North Inc.
- 17 And Verizon South Inc., having been first duly
- 18 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. GUERRA:
- 21 Q. Please state your name and address for the
- 22 record.

- 1 THE WITNESS:
- 2 A. My name is Matt Johnson, J-O-H-N-S-O-N. My
- 3 address is 131 East Empire, Bloomington, Illinois
- 4 61701.
- 5 Q. And, Mr. Johnson, you have before you a
- document entitled the Direct Testimony of C. Matthew
- 7 Johnson identified as Verizon Exhibit 2.0. Is that
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And do you recognize this document?
- 11 A. Yes, I do.
- 12 Q. If I were to ask you the questions contained
- therein today, would your answers be the same?
- 14 A. Yes, they would.
- Q. And do you have any changes to this document?
- 16 A. No, I don't.
- MR. GUERRA: I would move for the admission of
- 18 Verizon Exhibit 2.0 and tender Mr. Johnson for
- 19 cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- then Verizon Exhibit 2.0 is admitted.
- 22 (Whereupon Verizon Exhibit 2.0 was

- 1 received into evidence.)
- This is on e-Docket, right?
- 3 MR. GUERRA: Yes.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: And the Alhambra-Grantfork
- 5 exhibit is on e-Docket?
- 6 MR. SMITH: It is.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- B Does anyone have any questions?
- 9 MR. FODOR: I wanted to ask maybe one or two,
- if nobody else has any.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 12 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. FODOR:
- Q. I don't know if it's still morning. I'll say
- 15 good morning, sir.
- A. Good morning.
- 17 Q. I don't know if we've met face to face. My
- 18 name is Troy Fodor.
- 19 A. Matt Johnson. Nice to meet you, Troy.
- Q. I think everybody before the hearing started
- found out that I was playing with markers last
- 22 night.

- 1 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. For the record, I'm looking at some maps. I'm
- 3 intending to hand them to the witness if no one
- 4 objects. What I did is I took each of the
- 5 alternative maps that are on the record that I
- 6 considered to be in play, being 6, 9, 11, and 12,
- 7 and I attempted to use the telephone exchange maps
- 8 which used to be sold by the Clerk's Office, a
- 9 revised version of which is available from the
- 10 Illinois Telecommunications Association. I have
- 11 them here if anybody doesn't trust my coloring. We
- 12 can check it.
- MR. BUTTS: I'd like to check it.
- MR. FODOR: Would you? Here they are.
- 15 (Laughter)
- I've attempted to color the maps, and there's a
- 17 legend on my Map 6 that shows what the colors mean.
- 18 Q. I wanted to ask you some questions about where
- your switches are located so we can try to determine
- whether some of the other alternatives might -- how
- they affect you and how they impact you. I
- 22 understand you're supporting 9. Is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 MR. FODOR: Okay. Counsel, do you mind if I
- 3 approach?
- 4 MR. GUERRA: Go ahead.
- 5 MR. FODOR: You've seen these?
- 6 MR. GUERRA: Yes, I have.
- 7 MR. FODOR:
- 8 Q. What you've been handed there, sir, shows Map 6
- 9 I believe.
- 10 A. Uh-huh.
- 11 Q. And it shows Verizon's exchanges colored in
- 12 green.
- 13 A. Okay.
- Q. Okay? It seems to me that the only place that
- 15 Verizon is split is down toward the south, southwest
- central area, and since that was my only copy, I
- don't see which exchanges are split. Can you tell
- us which Verizon exchanges are on either side of the
- 19 line?
- 20 A. Well, Pinckneyville and DuQuoin, Ava and
- 21 Elkville, and it looks like Ava and Murphysboro.
- Q. Okay. And where you indicated three different

- sets of two names, the line divides between those
- 2 two.
- 3 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Can you tell me basically where you've
- 5 got a big switch and where you've got a remote
- 6 switch in that general area so that that line
- 7 wouldn't work for Verizon?
- 8 A. I don't have the switch information available
- 9 to me. I'd be happy to get that if you needed it.
- 10 Q. Is switch information what you were relying on
- in recommending Alternative 9?
- 12 A. Yes, the host and remote, host and remote
- 13 relationships. I'm not an engineer so I don't have
- 14 the --
- Q. Okay. And if we turned to the colored map of
- 17 switch information?
- 18 A. No, I don't. Not in front of me, no.
- 19 Q. It seems to me that Map 9 and Map 12 are very
- similar, so it might be worth the exercise to have
- you look at my colored Map 12 and my colored Map 9
- and maybe tell us what the differences are as far as

- 1 Verizon's exchanges are concerned.
- 2 A. If I'm not mistaken, the difference between 9
- 3 and 12 for us was the difference between having the
- 4 Marissa exchange included in Area A versus Area B,
- 5 and I'm a little fuzzy on exactly where the line is
- around there, but if I'm understanding it correctly,
- 7 in that area it splits -- the line would split
- 8 Marissa and Tilden on Alternative 12, and in
- 9 Alternative 9 for us in that area Marissa would be
- included in Area B.
- 11 Q. Is that the only thing that you can recall
- being wrong with Map 12?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. From Verizon's perspective?
- 15 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. So if we fixed that line, if we amended Map 12,
- 17 Verizon could support Map 12.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Returning to Map 6, you don't remember or don't
- 20 have the information with you to tell me what we'd
- 21 have to do to that line to make it better for
- 22 Verizon.

- 1 A. For Verizon's purposes, making the line better
- on Alternative 6 would -- basically where it
- 3 intersects the LATA line for the 362 LATA, if you
- followed it across to the -- going east to west,
- 5 making it more similar to Alternative 9 in that
- 6 respect, that would be more acceptable from our
- 7 perspective.
- 8 MR. FODOR: Okay. I think that's all I have
- 9 for him, Your Honor. I just wanted to test the
- 10 waters a little bit.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. FODOR: Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? No?
- 14 EXAMINATION
- BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. Mr. Johnson, your first choice is an overlay.
- 17 Your second choice is Alternative 9, according to
- 18 your testimony.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you still prefer not to say which side of
- 21 Alternative 9 should keep 618?
- 22 A. I really -- I don't have a preference. I guess

- if you asked me my preference, it would probably be
- the eastern side. Area B I guess.
- 3 Q. The eastern side you think should keep 618?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Is that just because I've asked you today or --
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. -- do you have any --
- 8 A. There really hasn't been any -- we haven't
- given that a lot of research.
- 10 Q. All right. As far as a third choice then, your
- discussion with Mr. Fodor there seemed to suggest
- that perhaps with one minor change, Alternative 12
- could be acceptable, but do you have any other third
- choice, or should I even list Alternative 12 as a
- third choice?
- 16 A. I think Alternative 12 with the change that we
- talked about would be okay, or alternative 10 would
- 18 be fine as well.
- 19 Q. I'm sorry. Did Alternative 10 need any
- changes, in your opinion, to be acceptable?
- 21 A. No. It would be -- the impact would be the
- same, essentially the same for Verizon between 9 and

- 1 10.
- 2 Q. So 9 and 10 are pretty much interchangeable, in
- 3 your opinion?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And with 10 and 12, no preference as far as
- 6 which side keeps --
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Okay. What was that one exchange in
- 9 Alternative 12?
- 10 A. Marissa.
- 11 Q. Marissa?
- 12 A. I would say though that as far as just the
- sheer impact on a number of exchanges on any of the
- alternatives that we're talking about, Area B
- obviously would impact a lot more Verizon exchanges,
- so, again, given a preference, we would rather that
- 17 Area B keep 618.
- 18 Q. Are there any of the alternatives that you
- 19 strongly oppose?
- 20 A. I would say there's none specifically, but I
- 21 would say any similar to what currently is -- well,
- 22 Alternative 6 which is splitting -- basically kind

- of splitting several Verizon groups of exchanges in
- 2 half.
- 3 Q. So you would --
- 4 A. So you would be putting half in Area A and half
- 5 in Area B that are contiguous.
- 6 Q. So you oppose Alternative 6.
- 7 A. I would think, yes, as it's currently shown.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. That's all I had for you.
- 9 Thank you.
- Mr. Guerra, do you have any redirect?
- MR. GUERRA: No redirect.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thanks.
- 13 (Witness excused.)
- MS. MANN-STADT: Ms. Smith, are you there?
- MS. SMITH: Yes.
- MS. MANN-STADT: Verizon Wireless would now
- 17 call Dana Smith.

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- 2 called as a witness on behalf of Verizon Wireless,
- 3 having been first duly sworn on her oath, was
- 4 examined and testified telephonically as follows:
- 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MS. MANN-STADT:
- 7 Q. Would you please go ahead and state your name
- and your business address for the record?
- 9 THE WITNESS:
- 10 A. Dana Smith, 6 Campus Circle, Westlake, Texas
- 11 76262.
- 12 Q. Ms. Smith, did you submit prefiled direct
- testimony on behalf of Verizon Wireless in this
- 14 matter?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you have that testimony before you?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. And is it marked for identification as Exhibit
- 19 1.0 Smith?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And does it consist of six pages?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you have any corrections, additions, or
- 2 deletions to that exhibit?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. And if I asked you those same questions today,
- 5 would your responses be the same as stated in your
- 6 prefiled testimony?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 MS. MANN-STADT: I have nothing further. We
- 9 would move to admit Exhibit 1.0 Smith and tender the
- 10 witness for cross.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objections? Why don't we
- call this Verizon Wireless Exhibit 1.0 Smith, and it
- is admitted into the record.
- 14 (Whereupon Verizon Wireless Exhibit 1.0
- Smith was received into evidence.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Does anybody have any questions?
- 17 MR. STANTON: I have some questions.
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: Mr. Stanton.
- 19 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MR. STANTON:
- Q. Good morning, Ms. Smith. My name is Tom
- 22 Stanton. I'm with the Staff of the Illinois

- 1 Commerce Commission. I just have a couple questions
- 2 for you.
- 3 A. Okay.
- 4 Q. Turning to page 5 of your direct testimony,
- 5 beginning around -- beginning at line 103, you
- 6 indicate that each split option will force Verizon
- 7 Wireless and its customers to reprogram number
- 8 changes for tens of thousands of handsets, and that
- 9 being said, Alternatives 9, 11, and 12 are very
- similar and would cause the least customer
- disruption if Area B is permitted to retain the 618
- 12 area code. Do you see that?
- 13 A. I'm sorry. What was that last part?
- Q. Would cause the least customer disruption if
- Area B is permitted to retain the 618 NPA.
- MS. MANN-STADT: Do you see that in the
- testimony, Ms. Smith?
- 18 Q. I'm just asking you if you see that in the
- 19 testimony.
- 20 A. Yes, yes.
- Q. Okay. Since the time you filed your direct
- 22 testimony, have you had the opportunity to review

- 1 the testimony of the other parties in this
- 2 proceeding?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And after having reviewed that testimony, did
- 5 that cause you to change your position with respect
- 6 to Area B?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Could you describe the change in position?
- 9 A. Upon further review of other parties' testimony
- 10 as well as our own internal information, Verizon
- 11 Wireless would support Area A retaining 618 in
- 12 Alternatives 9, 11, and 12.
- Q. Ms. Smith, does Verizon Wireless offer service
- in all areas of the 618 NPA?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And at page 1, line 24, of your direct
- testimony, you indicate that Verizon Wireless has
- 18 tens of thousands of customers in the 618 area code?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Could you be more specific? I mean are we
- 21 talking 20,000? 50,000? 90,000?
- MS. MANN-STADT: If I can just interject, that

- is proprietary information, but to the extent that
- you want an estimate, you might go, you know, 50,000
- more, 50,000 less, but I would caution the witness
- 4 that it is proprietary information.
- 5 MR. STANTON: Okay.
- 6 Q. So would it be fair to say over 50,000? Would
- 7 that be -- would you be comfortable in saying that,
- 8 Ms. Smith?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- In the case of a split, you indicate that
- 12 Verizon Wireless must reprogram each individual
- handset. Is that correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. How would that be accomplished?
- 16 A. The customers would be asked to come to a store
- 17 location and have the handset physically
- 18 reprogrammed by someone in the store.
- 19 Q. So Verizon Wireless operates a number of stores
- where the customers can bring back those phones?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. At those stores could they also buy or purchase

- 1 phones and other accessories at those stores?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. On page 4, lines 97 and 98 of your testimony,
- 4 you state that Verizon Wireless would experience
- 5 costs associated with customer education and network
- 6 changes. Do you see that?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. What customer education costs would
- 9 Verizon Wireless incur?
- 10 A. The cost of reaching out to each of our
- 11 customers, asking that they come in to stores to
- have their handsets reprogrammed through bill
- inserts, bill messages, direct mail pieces, things
- 14 like that.
- Okay. Would those costs -- well, let me strike
- 16 that.
- 17 Would there be any additional costs other than
- the ones you've described?
- 19 A. I can't think of any at this time.
- Q. Okay. Now would the company also incur those
- costs in the case of an overlay?
- 22 A. To a certain extent.

- 1 Q. Okay. Are you suggesting that there would be
- lower costs in the case of an overlay?
- 3 A. It's usually easier to educate subscribers
- 4 about an overlay rather than a split. Splits
- 5 sometimes require that we reach out to customers
- 6 numerous times so that we can reprogram their
- 7 handset as opposed to an overlay.
- 8 Q. Okay. Now in the case of a split, what network
- 9 costs would the company incur?
- 10 A. Announcement recordings so that we can
- implement announcements to tell the customer such as
- an overlay that they need to dial ten digits if they
- do happen to make a seven-digit call.
- Q. Would the company also incur those costs, those
- network costs, in the case of an overlay?
- 16 A. In the case of a split?
- 17 Q. In the case of an overlay.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Would they incur those same network costs in a
- split and in an overlay?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Have you had the opportunity to quantify the

- 1 additional costs that would result from a split over
- and above those costs incurred for an overlay?
- 3 A. No, I have not.
- 4 MR. STANTON: I have no further questions.
- 5 MR. MURPHY: I have some follow-up to his.
- 6 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MR. MURPHY:
- 8 Q. Ms. Smith, this is Joe Murphy and asking
- 9 questions on behalf of Cingular Wireless and Madison
- 10 Telephone and Egyptian.
- I'd like to go through some of the questions
- that Mr. Stanton asked you and ask you some
- follow-up questions.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Specifically with regard to reprogramming
- telephones, in the case of an overlay is there any
- 17 reprogramming of telephones?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. So when are telephones programmed with the new
- area code in the case of an overlay?
- 21 A. Reprogramming efforts cannot begin until
- 22 permissive dialing starts. The permissive dialing

- 1 period is the opportunity for wireless carriers to
- 2 reprogram handsets.
- 3 Q. Okay. But in the case of an overlay, and I
- 4 want to come back to the point you just made, but in
- 5 the case of an overlay, at what point, if ever, does
- a wireless carrier program a phone with a new NPA?
- 7 A. They don't because no numbers change in an
- 8 overlay.
- 9 Q. Okay. In the case of reprogramming for a
- split, do you have any idea how long it takes
- 11 physically for a technician to reprogram a
- telephone? Ten minutes? Two hours? Two days?
- 13 A. Somewhere between 10, 15, 20 minutes.
- Q. Okay. Is there any revenue to the company
- associated with reprogramming a telephone?
- 16 A. No.
- Q. Does Verizon have agents in the 618 area code,
- 18 non-Verizon agents who sell on behalf of Verizon?
- 19 A. I believe so.
- Q. Is there any income to the agents associated
- with reprogramming a telephone?
- 22 A. No.

- 1 Q. Do you know whether Verizon would have to pay
- its agents to reprogram the telephones?
- 3 A. I do not.
- Q. Given that it takes a finite amount of time,
- 5 and you estimated 15 minutes, to reprogram a
- telephone, do you know whether those agents or
- 7 Verizon stores where the reprogramming takes place
- 8 would have to add staff?
- 9 A. I'm not sure I can answer that.
- 10 Q. Is it possible they would have to add staff?
- 11 A. It's possible, yes.
- 12 Q. Do you know whether reprogramming would be done
- with regard to the customer on an appointment basis
- or an on demand basis?
- 15 A. Most likely on demand.
- Q. So if that's the case, then the store has to
- have enough staff to handle demand whenever it
- occurs for reprogramming.
- 19 A. That would be ideal, yes.
- Q. And that would be in addition to whatever sales
- 21 you hope to make.
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 MR. MURPHY: I don't have any further questions
- 2 at the time.
- 3 MR. FODOR: May I follow up on his with one or
- 4 two?
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: Sure.
- 6 MR. FODOR: I apologize. I indicated I didn't
- 7 have any cross for her, but I think I need to follow
- 8 this up.
- 9 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. FODOR:
- 11 Q. Hi. My name is Troy Fodor. I represent three
- of the small telephone companies on the St. Louis
- 13 side of the line.
- I think Mr. Murphy was just asking you about
- some reprogramming in addition to your other sales
- 16 duties. Is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. My question -- my question actually goes
- 19 the opposite direction. Can't some of the
- reprogramming take place in connection with the new
- 21 sales? Let me ask it a different way. Won't the
- 22 new phones that you sell the next day after the

- order comes out in this case have the new
- programming in them?
- 3 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat that?
- 4 O. Once we have a final decision on what we're
- 5 going to do about overlay or split, wouldn't any new
- 6 sales of cellular phones already include the
- 7 reprogramming?
- 8 A. No. That wouldn't happen until permissive
- 9 dialing started.
- 10 Q. If we were at the permissive dialing point in
- 11 time, wouldn't all new sales after that point in
- time have the new programming in it?
- 13 A. That is correct, after permissive dialing has
- 14 started.
- Q. And when people buy new phones, do you have any
- estimates of what percentage of them are first time
- cellular users and what percentage of them are
- changing out old phones for new phones?
- 19 A. No, I do not.
- Q. But would it be fair to say that it's some
- 21 percentage?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you have any idea how often Verizon
- Wireless's customers change out their old phones?
- 3 A. No, I don't.
- 4 Q. How long are your standard wireless contracts?
- 5 A. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. When you market a wireless contract,
- isn't one of the inducements often a new phone?
- 8 A. Sometimes it may be, yes.
- 9 MR. FODOR: That's all I have, Your Honor.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? Okay.
- 11 EXAMINATION
- 12 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. Ms. Smith, I take it you're not here today
- because you're based in Texas?
- 15 A. Pardon me?
- 16 Q. I take it that you're not here today because
- you're based in Texas?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. Did you see my e-mail yesterday that
- went out regarding attendance of witnesses?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MS. MANN-STADT: That you would be asking her

- 1 her preferences? The answer to your question is
- 2 yes, and I'm asking you which part of your e-mail
- 3 you're questioning about.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: About witnesses attending. I've
- 5 got a feeling there's probably some people here that
- 6 wouldn't be here if not for the fact that I sent
- 7 that e-mail out.
- 8 MR. SMITH: About stating alternative
- 9 preferences.
- MS. MANN-STADT: Right. She's aware that
- she'll be asked alternative preferences, if that's
- 12 what you're asking.
- JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Well, as far as even
- 14 attending.
- MS. MANN-STADT: Right, saying that you
- preferred to have them there, and I e-mailed you
- 17 back saying that with one day notice --
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: I didn't get that.
- 19 MS. MANN-STADT: I had sent out an e-mail
- 20 earlier asking if there would be questions for this
- 21 witness, and getting very little response that there
- 22 would be cross of this witness, she did not make

- 1 travel plans, and then when I got your e-mail it was
- just a day before, and it's difficult for her to
- 3 make travel plans.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Well, I just want to recognize
- 5 there are probably some here who made the trip even,
- and I understand she's in Texas, but.
- 7 MS. MANN-STADT: And our apologies. We
- 8 certainly would have had her travel here if we had
- 9 known that earlier.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 11 Q. With that said then, Ms. Smith, your first
- 12 choice is an overlay. Your second choice is options
- 9, 11, or 12 with the west side retaining 618. Do
- 14 you have a third choice?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Are there any particular ones that you oppose?
- 17 A. No.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Do you have any redirect
- 19 then?
- MS. MANN-STADT: No.
- JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Thank you.
- 22 (Witness excused.)

- 1 MR. BUTTS: Do one more?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Well, off the record.
- 3 (Whereupon at this point in the
- 4 proceedings an off-the-record discussion
- 5 transpired.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record.
- 7 CASSIE YANG
- 8 called as a witness on behalf of Ameritech Illinois,
- 9 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
- 10 testified as follows:
- 11 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. BUTTS:
- Q. Ms. Yang, would you state your full name,
- 14 please, for the record?
- 15 THE WITNESS:
- 16 A. Cassie Yang, C-A-S-S-I-E Y-A-N-G.
- 17 Q. Do you have in front of you a copy of a
- 18 document identified as Ameritech Illinois Exhibit
- 19 1.1, Supplemental Direct Testimony of Cassie Yang?
- 20 A. I do.
- 21 Q. Is that your -- was that testimony prepared by
- 22 you?

- 1 A. Yes, it was.
- 2 Q. Do you have any additions, corrections, or
- 3 deletions for that testimony?
- 4 A. No, I don't.
- 5 Q. If I were to ask you the questions contained in
- that testimony, would your answers be the same?
- 7 A. Yes, they would.
- 8 Q. Do you wish to adopt this as your supplemental
- 9 direct testimony in this proceeding?
- 10 A. Yes, I would.
- 11 Q. Do you also have in front of you what has been
- marked as Reply Testimony of Cassie Yang, Ameritech
- 13 Illinois Exhibit 1.2?
- 14 A. I do.
- 15 Q. Is that your reply testimony?
- 16 A. Yes, it is.
- 17 Q. Are there any corrections, deletions, or
- additions to that testimony that you would like to
- 19 make?
- A. No, there aren't.
- 21 Q. If I were to ask you those questions, would
- your answers be the same?

- 1 A. Yes, they would.
- Q. And do you adopt that as your reply testimony
- 3 in this proceeding?
- 4 A. Yes, I do.
- 5 MR. BUTTS: Your Honor, I would ask for the
- 6 admission of Ameritech Illinois Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2
- 7 and tender Ms. Yang for cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- 9 then Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2 are admitted.
- 10 (Whereupon Ameritech Illinois Exhibits
- 1.1 and 1.2 were received into evidence.)
- MR. FODOR: Is it afternoon yet? Can I say
- 13 good afternoon?
- MR. BUTTS: It's still morning, four minutes.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. FODOR:
- Q. Good morning. I'm not going to ask you a lot
- of questions. Were you in the room when your
- 19 attorney asked the witness for Alhambra about a
- slight change to Map 6?
- 21 A. Yes, I was.
- Q. And is it your understanding that the slight

- change that he was asking about would be to take the
- 2 Ameritech Carlyle exchange and shift it into Area A?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. And that in all other respects Map 6 would stay
- 5 the same.
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. And with that change, could Ameritech support
- 8 Map 6?
- 9 A. Map 6 would have the same impacts as
- 10 Alternatives 11 and 13, so yes.
- 11 MR. FODOR: Thank you. That's all I have.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? Okay.
- 13 EXAMINATION
- 14 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. So you're okay with Map 6, and what was that
- 16 exchange again that would be moved?
- 17 A. Carlyle.
- 18 Q. Carlyle?
- But if Alternative 6 remains the same, you
- would oppose it?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And I assume under any alternative you

- 1 prefer that the west side retain 618?
- 2 A. That's correct. If Carlyle remains on the same
- 3 side, if it does not change, then 6 actually becomes
- 4 like a third split alternative; I guess our fourth
- 5 choice alternative. The overlay would be first.
- Q. So we've got overlay as the first, and then?
- 7 A. 11 and 13 is the second choice. I'm sorry; 6,
- 8 11, and -- well, the modified 6, 11, and 13 would be
- 9 a second choice.
- 10 Q. Right.
- 11 A. A third choice would be 9 and 12, but those
- have more and more 9-1-1 impacts.
- Q. Okay. And did you lump the existing -- then
- 14 the existing number 6 would stay in the Oppose
- 15 column?
- A. Right, the existing 6 would stay in the Oppose
- 17 and 8 as well.
- JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Thank you.
- MR. BUTTS: One question on redirect, if I may.
- 20 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. BUTTS:
- 22 Q. Would you explain why it would be important to

- 1 Ameritech to have the Carlyle exchange moved into
- 2 Area A if Alternative 6 were adopted?
- 3 A. Carlyle is a contiguous exchange that has local
- 4 calling between Aviston, Breese, Beckemeyer,
- 5 Germantown, I believe Trenton, but it's also a
- 6 remote switch off of Breese, so we would not want to
- 7 split our host and remote switches.
- 8 Q. And under Alternative 6, if Carlyle were to be
- 9 moved over to Area B, would it be contiguous with
- any other Ameritech exchanges in Area B?
- 11 A. It would be contiguous with Greenville.
- 12 Q. But that's not a host/remote relationship?
- 13 A. Not with the Breese switch.
- MR. BUTTS: Okay. Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. All right. Thank you.
- (Witness excused.)
- Well, do you want to take an hour for lunch?
- 18 Okay.
- 19 (Whereupon lunch recess was taken until
- 1:00 P.M.)

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1	AFTERNOON SESSION
2	(Whereupon Cingular Wireless 3 Rev.
3	was marked for identification.)
4	JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record.
5	I hope everyone enjoyed their lunch.
6	Mr. Murphy, I believe, unless Mr. Fodor has a
7	strong feeling
8	MR. FODOR: No, no.
9	JUDGE ALBERS: Oh, okay. All right. Well,
10	Mr. Murphy, go ahead.
11	MR. MURPHY: I would like to present Peter Long
12	on behalf of Cingular Wireless by telephone, and
13	just to clarify this before I get it going, we have
14	filed on e-Docket under Receipt No. 19968 the
15	prefiled testimony of Cingular Wireless Exhibit 3.
16	When Mr. Long looks at his testimony, he will offer
17	some changes, and I have provided to the Court
18	Reporter an exhibit that's marked exhibit it's
19	Cingular Wireless Exhibit 3 Rev., revised, and if
20	anybody would prefer, particularly if the Judge

would prefer, we will e-file a revised testimony or

we can leave it this way, whichever is preference.

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- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: If you've got a hard copy with
- 2 handwritten changes in it, is that what you want to
- 3 offer?
- 4 MR. MURPHY: Yes, that's what I've provided to
- 5 the Court Reporter.
- JUDGE ALBERS: That's fine.
- 7 MR. MURPHY: Okay. With that, Mr. Long, are
- 8 you available?
- 9 MR. LONG: Yes.
- MR. MURPHY: Okay.
- 11 PETER J. LONG
- called as a witness on behalf of the Cingular
- Wireless, having been first duly sworn, was examined
- 14 and testified telephonically as follows:
- 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- Q. Would you please state your name, spell it for
- the record, and tell us where you work with your
- 19 business address?
- 20 A. Peter J. Long. I'm at 2000 West Ameritech
- 21 Center Drive, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60195.
- Q. You're breaking up a little, so if there's

- anything you can do to adjust your microphone, I'd
- 2 appreciate it.
- 3 A. I'll pick up the phone here.
- 4 Peter J. Long, at 2000 West Ameritech Center
- 5 Drive in Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60195.
- Q. And do you have in front of you a document
- 7 that's marked Testimony on Reopening of Peter J.
- 8 Long? Yours would be marked Exhibit 3, and it's
- 9 made up of nine pages of questions and answers that
- 10 ends on line 196?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Was this prefiled testimony prepared by you or
- 13 at your direction?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. If I were to ask you these questions today,
- would these be your answers?
- 17 A. Yes, they would. However, I have some changes.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. On one of the answers.
- Q. Okay. And I would direct you to page 8 of your
- 21 prefiled testimony and ask you to carefully go
- through the changes in your answers so other people

- 1 here can mark down what we've marked down.
- 2 A. Okay. On page 8, line 165, beginning with
- 3 "Generally", I wish to scratch "Generally" and add
- in its place "within the 618 NPA".
- Also, where it says "there are two code types",
- I wish to scratch "two" and change it to "three".
- Also on that line, after "RCC", I'd like to add
- 8 a comma after "RCC" and add "SP2,"; that's as in Sam
- 9 Patrick 2,.
- On the next line, 166, I'd like to add a comma
- after "PMC" and then "31 SP2,".
- On the next line, 167, I'd like to scratch
- "roughly 84" and in its place "100".
- On line 168 I'd like to change "6" to "8".
- On line 169 I'd like to scratch "roughly 43"
- and change it to "58".
- On line 170 I'd like to scratch "13", change it
- 18 to "18".
- On line 173 I'd like to scratch "84" and change
- 20 it to "100".
- Also on that line, at the end scratch "6" and
- change it to "8".

- On line 175, scratch "43" and change it to "58"
- and scratch "13" and change it to "18".
- 3 Q. Are those all your changes?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. With those changes, if I were to ask you the
- 6 questions here, would these be your answers as
- 7 amended?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 MR. MURPHY: And I would point out for the
- 10 record that I have provided to the Court Reporter a
- 11 copy of the exhibit with handwritten changes, and
- that is marked Cinqular Wireless Exhibit 3 Rev.
- 13 With that, I would move for the admission of
- 14 Cingular Wireless Exhibit 3 Rev. and tender the
- 15 witness for cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- 17 then Cingular Wireless Exhibit 3 Rev. is admitted.
- 18 (Whereupon Cinqular Wireless Exhibit
- 19 3 Rev. was received into evidence.)
- Who has questions for Mr. Long?
- MR. STANTON: I have questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Mr. Stanton.

1 CROSS EXAMINATION

- BY MR. STANTON:
- 3 Q. Good morning, Mr. Long. This is Tom Stanton.
- 4 I represent the Staff.
- 5 A. Good afternoon.
- 6 Q. Does Cingular offer service in all areas of the
- 7 618 NPA?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Could you tell me which areas?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. If it would be easier just to exclude counties
- or if it would be easier just to name the counties.
- 13 A. Yes. I'll list the counties that we serve:
- 14 Calhoun County, Macoupin, Madison, Clinton, St.
- 15 Clair, Monroe, Bond, Fayette, Marion, and there are
- small portions of Shelby and Effingham that also
- fall into 618 that we serve.
- 18 Q. Okay. At page 4, line 24.
- 19 A. Page 4, line --
- Q. I'm sorry. Strike that.
- 21 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- In your testimony, and I apologize because I

- can't find the reference, but you indicate that
- 2 wireless carriers must individually reprogram most
- 3 existing wireless numbers. Is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Why do you say most?
- A. We hope that as we transition our technology in
- 7 the next few years, we will have the capability to
- 8 do over-the-air activation changes. That capability
- 9 does not exist today, nor will it exist for our base
- 10 within this next year. However, I can't speak for
- some of the other wireless carriers, so I don't know
- if that capability is for some of the other wireless
- 13 carriers. That's why I said most.
- 14 Q. Okay. So as I understand your testimony,
- 15 Cingular would require handsets to be reprogrammed
- in the case of a split. Is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Do you know if AT&T Wireless would need
- to reprogram their handsets in the case of a split?
- 20 A. In all likelihood, I would guess so, yes.
- Q. Okay. How about Sprint PCS?
- 22 A. Yes, and for both cases depending on where the

- 1 split fell and where their customer base was homed
- 2 out of, of course.
- 3 Q. Okay. Now directing your attention to page 8,
- 4 the lines where you made the changes.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Could you define and describe what you mean by
- 7 RCC, SP2, and PMC?
- 8 A. Yes. The national code administrator has
- 9 defined several parameters within the Local Exchange
- 10 Routing Guide, which is the official documentation
- for assigned codes throughout the country. One of
- the categories is CO code type, and that's
- referenced in the Local Exchange Routing Guide as
- 14 COC type.
- Within those COC types there are four different
- values that could be considered wireless codes, code
- types. Three of those types I found in the 618
- 18 LERG, or Local Exchange Routing Guide, and those
- types are PMC, RCC, and SP2.
- The definition to these is such that it says
- 21 public mobile carrier, PMC, identifies a CO code
- that has been assigned as a 100 percent fully

- 1 dedicated Type 2 wireless interconnection. That's
- the PMC one. The RCC is radio common carrier, Type
- 3 1 interconnected. That has been assigned as a 100
- 4 percent fully dedicated Type 1 wireless
- 5 interconnection. And then the third one, SP2, for
- 6 service provider, miscellaneous service Type 2
- 7 interconnected identifies the CO code that has been
- 8 assigned as 100 percent fully dedicated Type 2
- 9 wireless interconnection for such services as non-
- 10 500 personal communication services.
- MR. ADAMS: Hello?
- 12 THE WITNESS: Hello?
- MR. ADAMS: This is Tom Adams.
- 14 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Off the record.
- 15 (Whereupon at this point in the
- 16 proceedings an off-the-record discussion
- 17 transpired.)
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record.
- 19 A. SP2 identifies a CO code that has been assigned
- as 100 percent fully dedicated Type 2 wireless
- 21 interconnection for such services as non- 500
- 22 personal communication services.

- 1 Q. Okay. When you refer to wireless carriers on
- line 64, for example, are you including paging
- 3 companies?
- A. I'm sorry. Could you identify that?
- 5 Q. Sure. Line --
- 6 A. Line 164?
- 7 Q. Page 8, you refer to -- and throughout your
- 8 testimony you refer to wireless carriers. Do you
- 9 include paging companies within that definition as
- 10 used in your testimony?
- 11 A. If a paging company is a primary mobile
- carrier, a radio common carrier, or a non-500
- personal communications services carrier, as
- indicated by SP2 designation, then, yes, paging is
- included. However, my experience is that paging is
- most likely identified by the RCC designation rather
- than the PMC or SP2.
- 18 Q. Okay. Now if the Commission were to adopt a
- split, and let's say, for example, Alternative 12,
- do you know if paging companies would have to
- 21 reprogram the actual paging unit, or could they do
- it through their switch?

- 1 A. I don't know the answer to that.
- 2 MR. STANTON: Okay. That's all.
- 3 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. I assume there are others
- 4 that had questions for Mr. Long?
- 5 MR. MOORE: Just two, one.
- 6 MR. FODOR: I might have one.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Why don't we take a break from
- 8 Mr. Long and address I believe the one request from
- 9 Mr. Adams, the counsel for the City of Columbia who
- just joined us.
- 11 First, Mr. Adams, would you please enter your
- 12 appearance?
- MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir. Thank you, Judge. My
- name is Tom Adams. I'm the city attorney or
- corporate legal counsel for the City of Columbia,
- 16 Illinois, which is located in Monroe County,
- 17 Illinois. My firm name is Adams and Huetsch.
- Huetsch is spelled H-U-E-T-S-C-H. our office
- address in Columbia is P.O. Box 647, 321 Wedgewood
- 20 Square, Columbia, Illinois. My phone number is
- 21 618/281-5185, and our fax number is 618 /281-5553,
- and our e-mail address is tdadams@htc.net.

- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: Very well. And so you know,
- 2 earlier I granted your petition to intervene.
- 3 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: And as I understand it, the only
- 5 thing you'd like to do today is offer into evidence
- 6 the resolution of the city, a copy of which was
- 7 attached to the Petition to Intervene. Is that
- 8 correct?
- 9 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir, that's correct.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Would you please describe
- 11 that resolution?
- MR. ADAMS: It's a resolution that was enacted
- by the City Council of the City of Columbia on
- January 21 at its regular meeting on that date. I
- think its Resolution No. 14-2001. It's advocating
- and asking the Commission to enact the split
- 17 jurisdiction method on the new NPA and to allow
- 18 Monroe and St. Clair Counties to retain their 618
- area code. Basically it's asking to be heard on
- those issues or to state their position or request
- 21 on those issues.
- JUDGE ALBERS: So basically any split that

- 1 keeps the 618 area code for the City of Columbia,
- 2 St. Clair, Madison, and Monroe Counties.
- 3 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 5 MR. ADAMS: And it is my understanding that if
- 6 the Commission elects one of the alternatives, that
- 7 we would have to dial something like ten digits or
- 8 numbers for a local call. We're opposed to that,
- 9 but it was my understanding the split jurisdiction
- 10 method would not involve that.
- JUDGE ALBERS: That's one outcome. I don't
- mean to be flippant, but that's probably the easiest
- 13 way to surmise that.
- 14 The resolution I have is a two-page resolution
- with a copy of a certificate, a true copy, on the
- 16 back. Is that all there is to it?
- MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. I have an extra copy of
- 19 that. I will offer that to the Court Reporter to be
- stamped. Would you have that marked as Columbia
- 21 Exhibit 1? Mr. Adams?
- MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.

- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: Would it be your preference to
- 2 have that marked as Columbia Exhibit 1?
- MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir, please do.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: So.
- 5 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Is there any objection to
- 6 this exhibit? Hearing none, then Columbia Exhibit 1
- 7 is admitted.
- 8 (Whereupon Columbia Exhibit 1 was marked
- 9 for identification and received into
- 10 evidence.)
- MR. ADAMS: Thank you, Judge.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. ADAMS: I guess we can sign off?
- 14 MR. BUTTS: Mr. Adams, we're very curious. Are
- you waiting in line to get married?
- MR. ADAMS: No. I was 30 years ago.
- MR. BUTTS: Okay.
- MR. ADAMS: Thanks for the inquiry.
- I think I hear the judge knocking on the door
- here, so.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. All right. Well, thank
- 22 you.

- 1 MR. ADAMS: Uh-huh. Bye now.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Bye.
- 3 We're back with Mr. Long, and I believe Staff
- 4 found something else.
- 5 MR. STANTON: Mr. Long, I just have one more
- 6 question for you.
- 7 CROSS EXAMINATION (Cont'd)
- 8 BY MR. STANTON:
- 9 Q. When I was asking you questions regarding the
- definitions of SP2, RCC, and PMC, were you reading
- from a document?
- 12 A. This document -- yes.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. It's called the Telecordia Routing
- 15 Administration.
- 16 Q. Okay.
- 17 A. Central Office Code Assignment Guideline,
- 18 Forms, Part 2.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. Pages 4 and 5.
- 21 MR. STANTON: And I would just ask counsel if
- they would submit the relevant pages as an exhibit

- 1 in the record.
- MR. MURPHY: With leave of the Judge, we'll
- 3 file those as Cingular Wireless Exhibit 3.1 or
- 4 Attachment 3.1.
- 5 MR. STANTON: Okay.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Is there any objection to
- 7 admitting that into the record? No? Then we'll
- 8 just make that a late-filed exhibit.
- 9 (Whereupon Cingular Wireless Late-Filed
- 10 Exhibit 3.1 was received into evidence.)
- Is that it, Mr. Stanton?
- MR. STANTON: That's it.
- 13 JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Mr. Moore, did you
- have a few questions?
- MR. MOORE: Yes, just a couple.
- 16 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MOORE:
- 18 O. Mr. Long, I understand that included in the NXX
- 19 codes for the cellular numbers would be numbers
- assigned to paging companies. Is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know what the breakdown between paging

- 1 and cellular would be?
- 2 A. No, I don't. I'd only guess that the paging
- 3 companies are the RCC identified codes.
- 4 Q. And there are three of those?
- 5 A. Correct.
- Q. And there would not be any paging within the
- 7 other types, the SP2 or the PMC?
- 8 A. My experience is the PMC are mostly the basic
- 9 old, older established cellular companies, and the
- 10 SP2s would be the newer, within the past whatever,
- five years or so, PCS type carriers.
- 12 Q. Do you have any reason to suspect any breakdown
- in which side of the -- the west or the east side of
- the lines we're looking at the paging companies
- would fall?
- 16 A. No, although that information might be
- available within the Local Exchange Routing Guide.
- 18 That is, the rate center assignments for any of
- these code types is available for the paging
- companies as well as for the other carriers, and
- they can be identified and matched up against any of
- these alternatives on the map.

- 1 MR. MOORE: That's all I have.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 3 MR. SMITH: Mr. Long, my name is Gary Smith. I
- 4 just have a couple questions.
- 5 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SMITH:
- 7 Q. Does Cingular have any customers in the 618
- 8 area that have analog handsets?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Would that be a large majority of the customers
- or a small fraction? Do you have any estimate?
- 12 A. It would be a substantial amount. It may be a
- minority, but it would be certainly a substantial
- 14 minority.
- Q. Well, if you say it's a substantial minority,
- does that mean then that you also have digital
- subscribers there as well?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Will there come a time with the digital
- technology that you have that the analog handsets
- 21 will have to be replaced?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Is that fairly soon on the timeline?
- 2 A. I think it can't be soon enough from our
- 3 perspective. However, we have customers that have
- 4 phones that are several years old, and it is a
- 5 difficult task to get customers to change out
- 6 sometimes their older equipment.
- 7 Q. When you say it can't happen soon enough from
- 8 your perspective, why would that be?
- 9 A. It would be easier for network operations to
- manage a single technology rather than both a
- 11 digital and analog service.
- MR. SMITH: Okay. That's all I have.
- 13 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. FODOR:
- 15 Q. Mr. Long, my name is Troy Fodor. I think I
- indicated earlier I represent a couple of the small
- 17 companies on the St. Louis side of the line. I
- 18 really just have one question for you.
- We're talking about reprogramming the wireless
- 20 handsets, and my question to you, sir, is isn't this
- 21 a marketing opportunity for the wireless company to
- 22 contact their customers and seek to sell more

- 1 services?
- 2 A. We could look upon it that way. However, the
- distress and burden far outweighs any possible
- 4 benefits of selling a small accessory to a customer.
- 5 If we don't sell any accessories to get our
- 6 customers not to be forced to reprogram their
- 7 phones, we choose that every single time.
- 8 Q. But couldn't you also sell more phones and
- 9 extended service packages?
- 10 A. We wouldn't sell new lines, that's for sure,
- because these customers would already be customers,
- and we just would be forcing them to do something
- that they wouldn't normally do. New customers, of
- course, wouldn't be having to reprogram their
- service on our system to another number on our
- 16 system.
- 17 Q. That actually reminds me of a question I asked
- the Verizon South witness. Were you on the phone
- when I was questioning her?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Do you know what percentage --
- MS. MANN-STADT: Excuse me.

- 1 MR. FODOR: I'm sorry.
- 2 MS. MANN-STADT: Verizon Wireless?
- 3 MR. FODOR: I meant Verizon Wireless. I
- 4 apologize. I'm terribly sorry.
- 5 MS. MANN-STADT: That's okay.
- 6 MR. FODOR:
- 7 Q. Do you know how often your average customer
- 8 changes out his wireless phone?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you know how long your standard
- service contract is for?
- 12 A. I believe a large portion of our service
- contracts are for two years. There may be some that
- 14 are less than that. There may be some legacy
- 15 contracts out there that may be different, and then
- we also have a substantial prepay base which, of
- 17 course, there's no contract.
- Q. And when those contracts come to an end, those
- 19 customers have to come back in to either one of your
- sales locations or one of your retailers' locations
- to extend the contracts?
- 22 A. I don't know of a physical requirement.

- 1 There's things that could be done with faxes and
- 2 things where not necessarily a customer would have
- 3 to physically come in to the service center.
- 4 MR. FODOR: Okay. That's all I have.
- MR. BUTTS: Pete, this is Edward Butts. I have
- just one question as a follow-up to what Mr. Fodor
- 7 was asking.
- 8 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. BUTTS:
- 10 Q. If customers were required to make a service
- visit to have their phones reprogrammed as part of a
- 12 geographic split, would that also provide a
- marketing opportunity for competitive carriers to
- 14 solicit those customers?
- 15 A. Yes.
- MR. BUTTS: Nothing further.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? I have just one or
- two questions. I'm sure you can expect what they
- 19 are.
- 20 EXAMINATION
- 21 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. Your first choice was the overlay. From your

- 1 testimony I gather that any geographic split which
- 2 keeps 618 on the west side of the split line is
- 3 preferred. Is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. You don't have any more specific preference
- 6 beyond that?
- 7 A. I don't have a preference. There's two
- 8 alternatives that are unrealistic ones, but the ones
- 9 that are realistic, that is ones for which the
- 10 projected lives are much more balanced, will require
- 11 us in either case to have -- in other words, our
- 12 customers will fall on both sides, both Area A and
- Area B, in the realistic alternatives, so we'll be
- forced to have our customers reprogram phones
- regardless. We hope to minimize that. That's why
- our -- certainly our (telephonically inaudible) --
- just even for our customers our first and most
- important choice is for the overlay.
- MR. MURPHY: Pete, could you repeat your answer
- to the last question, please? The Court Reporter
- 21 didn't get all of it.
- 22 A. We hope to minimize the burden to our customers

- 1 as well as to other customers, but in any case our
- 2 customers will be forced -- a portion of our
- 3 customers will be forced to reprogram their phones.
- 4 We hope to minimize that and believe it's best that
- 5 the Area A, the west, keep the 618 NPA.
- 6 Q. Okay. Were there any split alternatives that
- 7 you object to?
- 8 A. We object to all of them. The least burdensome
- ones would be Alternatives 12, 11, 9, and 13.
- 10 Q. Those are the least burdensome?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And you just flat out oppose the rest?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. All right. Thank you.
- MR. MURPHY: I have a couple of redirect.
- 16 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 18 Q. Pete, this is Joe. I have a couple of redirect
- 19 questions.
- First of all, Mr. Fodor asked you about
- 21 contract extensions. Just hypothetically, if I have
- 22 a two-year contract with Cinqular Wireless and that

- 1 two years runs out in January, on February the 1st
- do you cut off my phone service?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. What happens to it?
- 5 A. We try to re-up the service with the customer.
- Q. It doesn't go month to month?
- 7 A. I'd have to check to be certain, but certainly
- 8 we would involve our customer care folks to try to
- 9 establish or reconfirm extending the service with
- 10 the customer. We certainly don't want to disconnect
- 11 customers without -- customers' service without
- 12 giving them an opportunity to discuss continuing the
- 13 service with them.
- Q. So it wouldn't be an absolute requirement that
- somebody at the end of their contract make contact
- with Cingular.
- 17 A. We would try to make contact with them if they
- did not. We do try to make contact with them in
- 19 every case I'm aware of.
- MR. MURPHY: Okay. That was all.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- Thank you, Mr. Long.

- 1 (Witness excused.) Mr. Fodor, do you have --2 MR. FODOR: Oh, I'm next? I just figured you'd 3 do the rest of Joe's. 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Off the record. 5 6 (Whereupon at this point in the 7 proceedings an off-the-record discussion 8 transpired.) 9 JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record. 10 Go ahead, Mr. Fodor. MR. FODOR: Okay. At this time Home Telephone 11 12 Company calls Eric Schmidt. 13 ERIC A. SCHMIDT 14 called as a witness on behalf of Home Telephone 15 Company, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows: 16 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. FODOR: 18 19 Q. Will you please state your name and spell your
- THE WITNESS:

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22 A. Okay. My name is Eric, middle initial A.,

last name for the Court Reporter, sir?

- 1 Schmidt, S-C-H-M-I-D-T.
- 2 Q. And did you prefile -- did you prepare and
- 3 prefile some direct testimony in this proceeding?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. And is it marked as Home Telephone Company
- 6 Exhibit 1.0?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you have any corrections to that document?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. If I were to ask you the questions contained in
- 11 that document today, would you give the same
- 12 answers?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And it's your understanding that that document
- presently exists on e-Docket.
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you also prepare and prefile some rebuttal
- 18 testimony?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And is it identified as Home Telephone Company
- 21 Exhibit 2.0?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Does that testimony have attached to it and
- 2 referenced therein certain schedules identified as
- 3 Exhibit 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4?
- 4 A. Yes, it does.
- 5 Q. Does Exhibit 2.1 show your calculations of
- 6 population for the map Alternative 6?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Does Exhibit 2.2 show your map alternatives --
- 9 excuse me -- your calculations for map Alternative
- 10 12?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Does Exhibit 2.3 show your calculations for map
- 13 Alternative No. 9?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And does 2.4, Exhibit 2.4, show your
- 16 calculations for map Alternative No. 11?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. If I were to ask you the questions contained in
- the prepared rebuttal testimony today, would you
- 20 give the same answers?
- 21 A. Yes, I would.
- MR. FODOR: Okay. That's all I have. I would

- tender the witness for cross-examination. I would
- offer Home Telephone Company Exhibits 1.0, 2.0, 2.1,
- 3 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- 5 then all of the exhibits are admitted.
- 6 (Whereupon Home Telephone Company
- 7 Exhibits 1.0, 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3,
- 8 and 2.4 were received into
- 9 evidence.)
- MR. MOORE: I've got some.
- 11 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MOORE:
- 13 Q. Mr. Schmidt, my name is Steve Moore.
- 14 Turning your attention to page 4 of Exhibit 1,
- toward the bottom of the page, line 17, you state:
- "I am sure that there will be a great number of
- 17 inadvertent toll calls that should have been priced
- as local calls." Can you please explain for me the
- mechanism of what you're expecting to happen there?
- 20 A. Can I read it first so I can refresh my memory?
- 21 Q. Sure.
- 22 (Pause in the proceedings.)

- 1 A. I'm not quite sure exactly what that means
- 2 other than -- I'd have to say in hindsight I'm not
- 3 quite sure what that sentence means. However, it's
- 4 kind of superfluous to my main argument, so, but,
- 5 yeah, offhand I don't know exactly what that means.
- Q. Let me ask you this. Does Home Telephone allow
- 7 its customers the ability to make calls that would
- 8 be billed or rated as a toll call by only dialing
- 9 seven digits?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Is that possible?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. So one cannot tell whether one is
- dialing a toll call by the number of digits one
- dials.
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. In Home Telephone Company.
- 18 A. No.
- 19 MR. MOORE: Okay. I have no other questions.
- MR. BUTTS: I have just a couple of
- 21 Mr. Schmidt.
- I'm Edward Butts on behalf of Ameritech

1 Illinois.

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- 3 BY MR. BUTTS:
- Q. On that same page with the same testimony that
- 5 Mr. Moore was asking you about, is it your
- 6 impression that if an overlay is adopted with
- 7 mandatory ten-digit dialing, that there would be
- 8 some local calls that would be dialed with ten
- 9 digits and other calls would be dialed with eleven?
- 10 A. Not being a switching engineer, if one would be
- 11 required to dial a toll call and ten digits would be
- 12 required for local calls, then I would have to say
- that, yes, there would be some with eleven and some
- 14 with ten.
- 15 Q. If, in fact, all calls in an overlay scenario
- were dialed with a consistent eleven-digit pattern,
- there was just one dialing pattern, eleven digits
- 18 for every call, would that resolve many of the
- concerns that you express here?
- 20 A. If all calls were dialed with eleven digits,
- 21 then, no, I think -- well, just thinking about it,
- then there is no way they would be able to determine

- whether it would be a toll call or not if all calls
- were dialed under the same -- I'm guessing. I mean
- 3 I don't know exactly what you're asking me.
- Q. I'm saying if there's just one single dialing
- 5 pattern, eleven numbers for every call a customer
- 6 makes, do you think that would cause the kinds of
- 7 confusion you've expressed here?
- 8 A. I don't know I guess. To be honest with you, I
- 9 don't know exactly -- I mean I suppose.
- 10 Q. Okay. And I think you just said to Mr. Moore
- 11 that today you can't tell whether it's a local or a
- toll call based on the number of digits, can you?
- 13 A. Not based on the number of digits, no.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. But we only have a single exchange, and
- everything outside of our exchange is a toll call,
- so I think our customers are aware that if it's not
- 18 644, it's a toll call.
- 19 Q. As I understand your position, your company
- favors a geographic split, and you're recommending
- 21 Alternative 6, and you want to keep 618 in Area A.
- Is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 2 Q. If the Commission were to make a determination
- 3 to do an area code split but were to assign the 618
- 4 area code to Area B in the eastern part of the
- 5 state, would your company still prefer the
- 6 geographic split over the overlay?
- 7 A. Absolutely.
- 8 Q. Okay. Last question, on Alternative No. 6, do
- 9 you have a map that shows Alternative No. 6?
- 10 A. No, I don't.
- MR. FODOR: I could hand him mine.
- MR. BUTTS: Would you, please, for just a
- 13 second?
- 14 (Whereupon said document was
- provided to the witness.)
- Q. My question is, if the Carlyle exchange, which
- is an Ameritech exchange, is right in the -- if you
- 18 look at the proposed boundary, it's just to the east
- of the boundary line.
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you see the Carlyle exchange?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. If that exchange were moved into Area A as part
- of the Alternative 6 proposal, would that have any
- 3 impact on your company?
- A. No. In fact, however, I guess I am close to
- 5 that area, and so just speaking on behalf of my
- 6 customers, they probably would approve of Carlyle
- 7 being in the same area code as our customers because
- 8 of the lake and a lot of the things they do.
- 9 Q. Which would be Area A.
- 10 A. It would be Area A. That's correct.
- MR. BUTTS: Thank you.
- 12 JUDGE ALBERS: Do others have other questions
- of Mr. Schmidt?
- MR. STANTON: I just have a couple questions.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MR. STANTON:
- 17 O. Good afternoon, Mr. Schmidt. Tom Stanton.
- 18 A. Good afternoon.
- 19 Q. Now as I understand your testimony, if I'm in
- the St. Jacob exchange, and that's Home Telephone's
- 21 Exchange?
- 22 A. Uh-huh.

- 1 Q. I can dial anywhere in the 618 area code
- 2 dialing seven digits?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Now turning your attention to page 4, lines 21
- 7 and 22, of your direct testimony.
- 8 A. Uh-huh.
- 9 Q. Do you see where you state that an overlay will
- 10 also cause difficulty for people outside the area
- 11 code trying to call in? Do you see that?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now what you mean -- strike that.
- Now when you refer to that area code, do you
- mean an area code other than 618 and the new overlay
- code, whatever that overlay code might be?
- 17 A. Yeah, basically if you have an overlay and
- there's now two area codes overlaying.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. I mean, just for clarification, if for whatever
- reason, you know, two area codes existed within our
- 22 exchange, no longer would the seven- digit number

- identify them. I mean, again, they would have to
- 2 actually know the area code to get a hold of the
- 3 right customer.
- Q. So when you're talking or when you're -- what
- 5 your testimony says there is -- strike that.
- 6 So the area code that you're referring to is
- 7 like a 312, 773, or some area code other than 618.
- 8 A. Something other than 618.
- 9 MR. STANTON: Okay. Thank you. That's it. No
- 10 further questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Anyone else? No? Okay.
- 12 EXAMINATION
- BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. Alternative 6 is your first choice.
- 15 Alternatives 9, 11, and 12 are your second choice,
- 16 as I understand it.
- 17 A. Actually, for ranking, 6 I think would be my
- 18 number one, 11 would be my second, and 12 would be
- my third.
- Q. Just get rid of No. 9?
- 21 A. I mean honestly none of them -- I mean I'm all
- in Area A regardless, so it doesn't really matter to

- 1 me from a personal standpoint. My goal would be to
- 2 see most rate centers, if not all, and all
- 3 independent phone companies keep their contiguous
- 4 exchanges within one particular area.
- 5 Q. So you feel the same then about 9, 11, and 12.
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. That's what I wanted to know.
- And as long as the west side keeps the 618 area
- 9 code, is that the condition you --
- 10 A. No, there's no -- I have no condition. I
- believe that the numbers that I presented support
- the west side, or Area A, keeping the 618 area code,
- but if it was, you know, the difference between not
- keeping 618 and going to an overlay, I would not
- keep 618. I under no circumstances want an overlay.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- Do you have any redirect?
- MR. FODOR: I think Mr. Murphy -- well, I'll
- 19 ask it.
- 20 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. FODOR:
- 22 Q. Eric, in your testimony you did say that the

- 1 small companies, you know, we should try to keep the
- 2 small companies together and not split them up. I
- 3 believe Map No. 9 splits up Egyptian.
- A. Oh, okay. Well, in that case I do not support
- 5 Map No. 9. Not looking at Map No. 9 offhand, I
- 6 stated that I did not wish to disrupt any of the
- 7 independent telephone companies, and so if No. 9
- 8 would do that, then by all means I do not support
- 9 number 9.
- 10 MR. FODOR: That's all.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. And 11 and 12 you still
- 12 --
- THE WITNESS: Yeah, 6 and 11 and 12 are really
- 14 -- given three choices, 6, 11 and 12 would be...
- MR. MURPHY: And I have to stop and say if 12
- splits Egyptian, then you don't support that either.
- 17 THE WITNESS: If 12 splits Egyptian, I do not
- support it. I do not support any independent
- 19 exchanges being split.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Does 12 split Egyptian?
- MR. MURPHY: Yes, 12 splits Egyptian.
- Oh, I'm sorry. You're right. It doesn't.

- 1 I'll state for the record it does not split
- 2 Egyptian. It just splits Egyptian on the opposite
- 3 side from the St. Louis metro area.
- 4 EXAMINATION
- 5 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 6 Q. Okay. All right. So just so we're all clear
- 7 then, first choice is 6.
- 8 A. 6.
- 9 Q. Your second choice is 11 or 12.
- 10 A. 11 or 12.
- 11 Q. And it would just be your preference to keep
- 12 618 on the west side of the line in both your second
- and first choices.
- A. Right, and they're not just preference. I
- think, like I said, my numbers -- that would -- I
- 16 think it just makes more sense from a customer
- impact standpoint to have 618 stay in the Area A,
- but preference, yeah, I would say I would also
- 19 prefer not to have to change my area code.
- Q. But you do oppose an overlay.
- 21 A. Yes.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. All right. Thank you.

- 1 (Witness excused.)
- 2 Q. At this time Harrisonville Telephone Company
- 3 would like to call Mr. John C. Meyer.
- 4 JOHN C. MEYER
- 5 called as a witness on behalf of Harrisonville
- 6 Telephone Company, having been first duly sworn, was
- 7 examined and testified as follows:
- 8 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. FODOR:
- 10 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Meyer.
- 11 THE WITNESS:
- 12 A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Will you go ahead and state your name and spell
- your last name for the Court Reporter?
- 15 A. My name is John C. Meyer, M-E-Y-E-R.
- Q. Okay. And have you prepared and prefiled in
- this docket direct testimony?
- 18 A. Yes, I have.
- 19 Q. Is that testimony identified as Harrisonville
- Telephone Company Exhibit 1.0?
- 21 A. Yes, it is.
- 22 Q. Is it your understanding that that exhibit

- 1 presently exists someplace out there electronically
- on the Commission's e-Docket system?
- 3 A. I understand it does.
- 4 Q. If I asked you those questions today that are
- 5 contained on that document, would you give the same
- 6 answers?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you had no corrections.
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Have you also prepared and prefiled Rebuttal
- 11 Testimony of John C. Meyer?
- 12 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. And is it identified as Harrisonville Telephone
- 14 Company Exhibit 2.0?
- 15 A. Yes, it is.
- 16 Q. And is it also on e-Docket?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you have any corrections to make to that
- 19 document?
- 20 A. There is one correction. On line number 12,
- 21 page number 2, delete the words "Verizon Wireless".
- Q. Okay. With that change, if I asked you those

- 1 questions today, would you give the same answers?
- 2 A. Yes, I would.
- 3 MR. FODOR: At this time I would tender the
- 4 witness for any cross-examination. I would offer
- 5 Harrisonville Telephone Company Exhibit 1.0 and 2.0
- 6 into the record.
- 7 Your Honor, I have an extra copy with the
- 8 revision marked. I can give it to the Court
- 9 Reporter. Previously didn't you change something to
- 10 an Rev. numbering designation?
- JUDGE ALBERS: If it's revised, yes,
- 12 Harrisonville 2.0 Revised.
- MR. FODOR: Okay.
- 14 (Whereupon Harrisonville Exhibit 2.0
- 15 Revised was marked for
- identification.)
- MR. MURPHY: I have one question.
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: Well, wait. Is there any
- 19 objection to either of these exhibits?
- MR. BUTTS: Excuse me?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection to either exhibit?
- No. Okay. Hearing none, then they're both

- 1 admitted.
- 2 (Whereupon Harrisonville Telephone
- 3 Company Exhibits 1.0 and 2.0 Revised
- 4 were received into evidence.)
- 5 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 7 Q. I have one question about communities of
- 8 interest, Mr. Meyer. Do you happen to know whether
- 9 Baldwin and Red Bud share the same school district?
- 10 A. Yes, they do.
- MR. MURPHY: No further questions.
- 12 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. BUTTS:
- Q. I have just one question, Mr. Meyer, and I've
- asked the same question of other witnesses. Would
- it cause any problems for your company if the
- 17 Commission were to adopt Alternative No. 6 if the
- Carlyle exchange were moved into Area A?
- 19 A. No.
- MR. BUTTS: Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others?
- MR. STANTON: I just have a couple questions.

- 1 MR. MOORE: Briefly.
- 2 MR. STANTON: Go ahead.
- 3 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 4 BY MR. MOORE:
- 5 Q. Mr. Meyer, looking at your direct testimony,
- 6 page 4 toward the bottom of the page you discuss
- 7 what customers expect when they dial seven and 1+
- 8 ten digits. Is it possible for a customer to make a
- 9 toll call with just seven-digit dialing?
- 10 A. We don't allow seven-digit dialing to make a
- 11 toll call.
- 12 Q. It's all either local or extended.
- 13 A. That's right.
- MR. MOORE: Okay. No other questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Mr. Stanton.
- MR. STANTON: Okay. He may have answered my
- 17 question.
- 18 Yeah, that's fine. I have no questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: You do or you don't allow toll
- 20 calls for seven digits?
- THE WITNESS: We don't.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Don't. Okay.

- 1 Any others? Okay.
- 2 EXAMINATION
- 3 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- Q. Can I take it that you would support the same
- 5 list in order of preferences as Mr. Schmidt?
- 6 A. Exactly the same.
- 7 Q. And would you oppose an overlay?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Just outright?
- 10 A. Definitely.
- 11 Q. And still Alternative No. 8?
- 12 A. Yeah. We oppose it no doubt because it splits
- our territory.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- Do you have any redirect?
- MR. FODOR: Can I follow-up? It's real simple.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Redirect.
- 18 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MR. FODOR:
- Q. For your customers, John, when they punch a one
- on their phone, it's always a toll call.
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And so if an overlay is implemented and they
- 2 had to dial, as Mr. Butts was asking of Eric, if
- 3 they have to dial a standard eleven digit, your
- 4 customers may be confused thinking they're dialing
- 5 toll calls.
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. And I'm not sure the question was asked to you
- 8 the same way it was asked to Eric, so let me restate
- 9 it.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. If you had a choice between a split where you
- didn't get to keep 618 and an overlay, what would be
- 13 your choice?
- 14 A. Split.
- MR. FODOR: Okay. Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thanks.
- 17 (Witness excused.)
- MR. MURPHY: Egyptian Telephone Cooperative
- 19 Association has called Matt Bollinger to the stand.

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1	MATTHEW	JAMES	BOLLINGER
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- 2 called as a witness on behalf of Egyptian Telephone
- 3 Cooperative Association, having been first duly
- 4 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 7 Q. Mr. Bollinger, could you please state your
- 8 name, spell it for the record, and give your
- 9 business, title and address?
- 10 THE WITNESS:
- 11 A. Yeah. Matthew James Bollinger. Last name is
- 12 B-O-L-L-I-N-G-E-R. Business address is 1010 West
- Broadway Street, Steeleville, Illinois 62288.
- Q. Mr. Bollinger, do you have in front of you some
- questions and answers that are numbered pages 1
- through 14 and ending on line 325?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Is this your direct testimony that was
- submitted on behalf of Egyptian in this case?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Was it prepared by you or at your direction?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And to the best of your knowledge, it was filed
- on the e-Docket under Receipt No. 19970?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And if I were to ask you these questions here
- today, would these be your answers?
- A. Yes.
- 7 MR. MURPHY: With that, I would move to admit
- 8 Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association Exhibit 2
- 9 and tender the witness for cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- 11 then the exhibit is admitted.
- 12 (Whereupon Egyptian Telephone Cooprative
- 13 Association Exhibit 2 was received into
- 14 evidence.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any questions for the witness?
- MR. STANTON: I have a couple.
- 17 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MR. STANTON:
- 19 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Bollinger. Tom Stanton.
- 20 A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Now if I'm in Egyptian's Blair exchange and I
- call a customer in Egyptian's Oakdale exchange, how

- 1 many digits do I dial?
- 2 A. Eleven.
- 3 Q. And vice versa?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now if I'm in Egyptian's Blair exchange again
- and I call a customer in Verizon's Carbondale
- 7 exchange, how many digits do I dial?
- 8 A. Eleven.
- 9 Q. And vice versa?
- 10 A. Uh-huh. To my knowledge it is, from Verizon to
- 11 us.
- 12 Q. Yeah, From Verizon.
- 13 A. To my knowledge it is.
- Q. And, again, if I'm in Crossville's exchange and
- I call a customer in Egyptian's Blair exchange, how
- many digits do I dial?
- 17 A. If you're calling from Blair to Crossville?
- Q. Let's do Crossville first. Do you know?
- 19 A. I do not know.
- Q. Okay. How about from Blair to Crossville?
- 21 A. Eleven.
- Q. How about from the Rice to the Oakdale

- 1 exchange?
- 2 A. No, that is seven digit.
- 3 Q. Okay. So in any of the contiguous Egyptian
- 4 telephone exchanges, Rice, Oakdale, what is that?
- 5 St. Libory and Venedy? Are those seven digits?
- A. Yes, it's seven digit to adjoining exchanges.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- Q. And to any of the other -- if I'm calling from,
- 9 like I said, Oakdale or Rice to Blair, it would be
- 10 1+10, and then same thing with respect to Glenn?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Glenn anywhere out to an Egyptian territory or
- an Egyptian exchange would be 1+10.
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Okay. On page 12, lines 272 to 273, you talk
- about community of interest. Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. What do you mean by that term?
- 19 A. There's some interest between our exchanges and
- some of the other exchanges, basically to the west
- of them.
- 22 Q. Okay.

- 1 A. For example, the Baldwin exchange being in the
- 2 Red Bud school district is one of them.
- 3 Q. In your opinion, is there a community of
- 4 interest between the Blair and the Rice exchanges?
- 5 A. Probably not a huge community of interest.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. Although there is -- there would be some.
- 8 Q. How about between the Rice and the Glenn
- 9 exchanges?
- 10 A. Same. There would be some, yes.
- 11 Q. How about the Rice and the Dubois?
- 12 A. I would also assume there is some.
- Q. And those are contiguous exchanges?
- 14 A. Yes. However, Du Bois is not ours. I believe
- 15 Du Bois is Citizens I believe.
- Q. Would you agree with me that there's a greater
- 17 community of interest in contiguous exchanges?
- 18 A. I believe for the most part.
- 19 Q. Are any of Egyptian's exchanges in the St.
- 20 Louis MSA?
- 21 A. Yes.
- O. Which ones?

- 1 A. Saint Libory, Venedy, Oakdale, and Rice.
- 2 MR. STANTON: Okay. No further questions.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 5 BY MR. BUTTS:
- Q. I have the same question I've asked everyone
- 7 else. If the Commission were to adopt Alternative 6
- 8 as a geographic split, would it cause any problem
- 9 for your company to move the Carlyle exchange into
- 10 Area A?
- 11 A. No, it would not.
- MR. BUTTS: Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? Okay.
- 14 EXAMINATION
- BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 16 Q. I think you're actually pretty thorough in your
- testimony. Overlay is your first choice,
- 18 Alternative 6 is your second choice, as long as the
- west side keeps 618.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And third choice 7, 11, or 13?
- A. Preferably 11 or 13. 7 less so.

- 1 Q. For purposes of basing a decision, should I
- 2 take 7 off if it came down to that as a third
- 3 choice?
- A. No, you could leave that on.
- 5 Q. Okay. Is there any particular one that you
- 6 oppose?
- 7 A. Yes, No. 8.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. And the reason is it splits -- it breaks our
- 10 St. Libory exchange off from the rest.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Any redirect?
- MR. MURPHY: A couple questions.
- 13 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 15 Q. Just to be clear, when you say it breaks your
- 16 St. Libory exchange off from the rest, do you mean
- it breaks it from other contiguous exchanges?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. Yes, from the Venedy exchange in particular.
- Q. And I want to return to the community of
- interest issue. Would you say that the community of

- interest between Baldwin and Red Bud is strong,
- weak, or how would you characterize that community
- 3 of interest?
- 4 A. I would say strong.
- 5 Q. Also, when talking about -- in response to
- 6 Mr. Stanton's questions about your community of
- 7 interest with the St. Louis metro area, would it be
- 8 true to say that there are a lot of people in your
- 9 co-op exchanges who work or have relatives who work
- in the St. Louis metro area?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Can you identify any central job centers, and
- by that I mean places where there are a lot of
- 14 people from your exchanges who live in your
- exchanges and work someplace else?
- 16 A. Yeah. There is an air force base located in
- 17 the Mascoutah area, and there are several workers
- from that area that do live in our exchanges.
- MR. MURPHY: No further questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you, sir.
- THE WITNESS: Thanks.
- 22 (Witness excused.)

- 1 MR. MURPHY: On behalf of Madison Telephone
- 2 Company we're calling Michael Guffy.
- 3 MICHAEL GUFFY
- 4 called as a witness on behalf of Madison Telephone
- 5 Company, having been first duly sworn, was examined
- 6 and testified as follows:
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 9 Q. Mr. Guffy, would you please state your name,
- spell it for the record, and give your business
- 11 title and business address?
- 12 THE WITNESS:
- 13 A. Yes. Michael Guffy, G, as in green, U-F-F-Y.
- Business address is 118 East State Street, Hamel,
- 15 Illinois 62046, and I am the Director of Regulatory
- 16 Affairs for Madison Telephone.
- 17 Q. You should have in front of you a document
- that's marked Madison Telephone Company Exhibit 1
- consisting of nine pages of questions and answers
- and ends on line 192. Do you have that document?
- 21 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Is this the direct testimony that you're filing

- 1 in this case?
- 2 A. Yes, it is.
- 3 Q. Was it prepared by you or under your direction?
- 4 A. Yes, it was.
- 5 Q. And would you agree with me that it was filed
- on the e-Docket under Receipt No. 19980?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And if I were to ask you these questions here
- 9 today, would these be your answers?
- 10 A. Yes, they would.
- 11 Q. Do you have any corrections?
- 12 A. None.
- MR. MURPHY: With that, I would request the
- 14 admission of Madison Telephone Company Exhibit
- Number 1 and tender the witness for
- 16 cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any objection? Hearing none,
- then the exhibit is admitted.
- 19 (Whereupon Madison Telephone Company
- 20 Exhibit 1 was received into evidence.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Does anyone have any questions
- for Mr. Guffy?

- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 BY MR. BUTTS:
- 3 Q. I have my one question, Mr. Guffy. Would it
- 4 cause any problems for your company if the
- 5 Commission were to adopt Alternative 6 if the
- 6 Carlyle exchange were moved into Area A?
- 7 A. No, it would not, Mr. Butts, and, in fact, we
- 8 would welcome that.
- 9 MR. BUTTS: Thank you.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others?
- MR. MOORE: Briefly.
- 12 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MOORE:
- Q. My question, is it possible to dial toll calls
- from your company with just seven digits?
- 16 A. Yes, it is.
- 17 Q. Okay, and is that the entire 618 area code one
- 18 can dial?
- 19 A. Yes, it is.
- MR. MOORE: No other questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Any others? I've got a few.
- 22 Let me start with something to follow up

- 1 Mr. Butts's.
- 2 EXAMINATION
- 3 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 4 Q. Why would you prefer that Carlyle be moved?
- 5 A. It's kind of a resort community, lake area, and
- 6 somewhat of a community of interest to our residents
- 7 and customers.
- 8 Q. Okay. If a split which requires the East St.
- 9 Louis area to change its area code is selected,
- 10 would you prefer an overlay?
- 11 A. No, I would not.
- 12 Q. Okay. And so Alternative 6 remains your first
- 13 choice. Do you have a second choice?
- 14 A. Eleven.
- Q. With the west side keeping 618?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Third choice?
- 18 A. I don't have a third choice.
- 19 Q. Are there any that you oppose?
- 20 A. Yes. I oppose 8, and I didn't realize this
- initially, but when I looked at the map, if you look
- at it closely, I've got a black and white copy,

- 1 unfortunately, Area A is shown in a section that
- 2 actually turns out to be Area B, so it's a bit
- 3 confusing. Secondly, that would split a host/remote
- 4 exchange of ours of Staunton and Livingston, which
- is a local call, so people would be dialing
- 6 presumably a different area code to complete a local
- 7 call, so that would be disruptive, obviously, to our
- 8 customer base.
- 9 Q. Any others you oppose?
- 10 A. No. Just a general comment I guess. I oppose
- 11 the fact that we're even here because we have two
- 12 CLECs that are out getting virtual NXXs, and I
- believe the solution to all of this is that the
- 14 Commission direct those CLECs to remand or turn in
- their NXXs.
- 16 I think Mr. Harvey Nelson was in attendance
- down at the meetings in Alton, and they were very
- 18 heated debates over this, and, in fact, one of the
- 19 CLECs present there indicated they were just simply
- using one phone number I believe. So I believe that
- 21 that is the correct direction that this Commission
- 22 should take rather than split or overlay, etc.

- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 Did you have any redirect?
- 3 MR. MURPHY: No.
- 4 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.
- 5 (Witness excused.)
- I think all we have left then is Staff. Is
- 7 that correct?
- 8 MR. STANTON: Uh-huh.
- 9 HARVEY G. NELSON
- 10 called as a witness on behalf of the Staff of the
- 11 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 13 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. STANTON:
- Q. Would you kindly state your name and business
- 16 address?
- 17 THE WITNESS:
- 18 A. Okay. I'm Harvey Nelson. I'm employed by the
- 19 Illinois Commerce Commission. My business address
- is 527 East Capitol, Springfield, Illinois.
- 21 Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- been marked for purposes of identification as ICC

- 1 Staff Exhibit 3.00 consisting of seven pages of
- 2 narrative testimony in question and answer format
- 3 titled Additional Direct Testimony of Harvey Nelson?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Was this testimony drafted by you or under your
- 6 direction and supervision?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Are there any additions, modifications, or
- 9 corrections you wish to make to this testimony?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Now if I were to ask you today exactly the same
- 12 questions as set forth in your narrative testimony,
- would your answers be the same?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Is it your intent that this be your sworn
- direct testimony in this proceeding?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you also have before you a document which
- has been marked for purposes of identification as
- 20 ICC Staff Exhibit 4.00 consisting of three pages of
- 21 narrative testimony in question and answer format
- 22 entitled Supplemental Direct Testimony of Harvey

- 1 Nelson?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And was this testimony drafted by you or under
- 4 your direction or supervision?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Are there any additions, modifications, or
- 7 corrections you wish to make to this testimony at
- 8 this time?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Could you explain those changes?
- 11 A. Yes. On page 2, line 36, the testimony shows a
- figure for the population of Area B as 593,130.
- 13 That number should be corrected to show 581,526
- because I inadvertently included Calhoun County in
- my initial calculation.
- Moving to line 37, my answer there indicates
- that there are 13,944 non-farm businesses in Area B.
- 18 Because of an error in calculating that figure, I
- had shown Richland County as 590, and I understand
- it should be shown as 509, so to adjust that number,
- 21 the new number is 13,863.
- Now after all those changes, there has to be a

- 1 change on line 38 showing the increase in population
- for Area B. The testimony shows it to be .33
- 3 percent. After making the adjustments, because of
- 4 my including and not including certain counties, the
- 5 number should be .18 percent, 18 percent.
- Q. You mean .18 percent, right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Not 18 percent.
- 9 A. I'm sorry.
- 10 Q. Now if I were to ask you today exactly the same
- 11 questions as set forth in your narrative testimony,
- including the changes you've just made, would your
- answers be the same?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Now is it your intent that this be your sworn
- direct testimony in this proceeding?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. Now I understand there has been some confusion
- 19 regarding which counties were included in Areas A
- and B, and just for purposes of clarifying the
- 21 record, would you please identify which counties you
- included in Area A and then which counties you

- included in Area B?
- 2 A. Okay. The counties included in Area A are:
- 3 Washington, Madison, St. Clair, Monroe, and Clinton.
- The counties in Area B are: Bond, Randolph, Perry,
- Jackson, Union, Alexander, Pulaski, Massac, Johnson,
- 6 Pope, Hardin, Williamson, Saline, Gallatin,
- Franklin, Hamilton, White, Jefferson, Wayne,
- 8 Edwards, Wabash, Marion, Clay, Richland, Lawrence,
- 9 Fayette, Jasper, and Crawford.
- 10 MR. STANTON: Thank you, Mr. Nelson.
- 11 At this time I'd ask that the Additional Direct
- 12 Testimony of Harvey Nelson previously marked Staff
- Exhibit 3.00 and the Supplemental Direct Testimony
- 14 of Harvey Nelson previously marked Staff Exhibit
- 4.00 be admitted into evidence, and I tender the
- witness for cross-examination.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Have you given a Staff Exhibit
- 18 4.00 Revised to the Court Reporter?
- 19 MR. STANTON: I'm sorry. I can write revised
- 20 on it.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. She's got it though?
- MR. STANTON: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE ALBERS: Any objections to either of
- these? Hearing none, then they are both admitted.
- 3 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits 3.00 and
- 4 4.00 Revised were received into
- 5 evidence.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: And who would like to -- go
- 7 ahead.
- 8 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. MOORE:
- 10 Q. Mr. Nelson, I'm Steve Moore.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. Through the changes you just made, just so I'm
- clear, when you took out Calhoun County from Area B,
- 14 you double counted it? I mean you didn't need to
- make an adjustment to Area A, did you?
- 16 A. Calhoun County is not included in my study.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. So it's not in A.
- 19 Q. Okay. Now the percentage of population
- increases that you show in Area A and B on page 2 of
- 21 your Staff Exhibit 4, over what period of time is
- that population growth?

- 1 A. It's between 1990 and 2000, over a ten-year
- period. Now that figure is per county. It's an
- 3 average.
- 4 Q. Is it weighted?
- 5 A. What do you mean by weighted.
- 6 Q. Weighted by the fact that -- I mean some of the
- 7 counties are larger than others, and if one county
- 8 is very large, I would think that would have an
- 9 overwhelming impact on the number.
- 10 A. All right. No. How I calculated it was I took
- all the increases, added them up, took all the
- decreases, because some counties, especially in Area
- B, show decreases in population, deducted that.
- 14 That came to a number that I divided by the number
- of counties in the areas. So the figure of .18
- 16 percent is the average percent of increase for each
- 17 -- for the counties in Area B. So there will be
- 18 some counties that I have larger percentages of
- increase such as Jackson County, and then there will
- 20 be some counties that have minus increases in
- 21 population.
- 22 Q. Okay. Now going back to your Staff Exhibit 3,

- on page 6 of that you indicate that the -- on lines
- 2 126 and 127 that the projected life expectancy of
- 3 Area A is twelve years and B is eleven years. Do
- 4 you know how those figures would reconcile with the
- 5 fairly large difference in population growth?
- A. Those figures are calculated by NANPA, and
- 7 you'd have to ask them how they determined those
- 8 percentages, life expectancies. I accepted them, in
- 9 other words.
- 10 Q. Okay. If the Commission decides to base --
- assuming, first of all, that the Commission decides
- to do a split and it then decides on which side of
- the line to retain the area code, and it decides
- 14 that it should base it upon which area is expected
- to exhaust its numbers sooner, what would you
- 16 recommend that it look to be able to retain? The
- one that is going to exhaust sooner or the one that
- is going to exhaust later?
- 19 A. I guess I have a problem with that because in
- the geographic split we're picking a point in time,
- and really, you know, this is when the split begins,
- and really I don't see any correlation between the

- 1 life expectancies of these.
- Q. I'd like you to assume hypothetically that the
- 3 Commission decides that, based upon the evidence it
- 4 sees before it, Area A will exhaust sooner than Area
- 5 B. Now given that hypothetical, and assuming that
- 6 the Commission decides that exhaustion is a good
- 7 criteria to decide which side retains the old
- 8 number, what would you recommend?
- 9 A. Well, here's my problem again. In those
- figures of twelve years and eleven years, it appears
- 11 that NANPA is saying that if we do this geographic
- split, okay, which means if we do the geographic
- split, it means that everybody will have gone
- through the pain and agony of having to change their
- telephone numbers, so it's not going to make any
- difference on whether -- you know, how long it lives
- to when they have to change their telephone numbers.
- 18 Q. I'd like you to assume that ten years from now,
- based on the numbers, Area A is coming in to the
- Commission for a new split or maybe an overlay. We
- get to do this fun again.
- 22 A. Okay.

- 1 Q. Would you recommend that the number coming in
- be the number that's retained, 618, or would it just
- 3 be a totally new number?
- 4 A. I think we would have to consider the situation
- 5 at that time because maybe an overlay at that time
- 6 might be a better alternative than a geographic
- 7 split, as an example. So to forecast what's going
- 8 to happen ten years from now, who knows. The world
- 9 will be different I'm sure.
- 10 MR. MOORE: Okay. I have no other questions.
- 11 MR. BUTTS: I just had one. I guess I have to
- 12 ask two questions to get to it.
- 13 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. BUTTS:
- 15 Q. You recommend Alternative 12 as the preferred
- split alternative, as I understand your testimony?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. A number of the parties here have recommended
- 19 Alternative 6. If the Commission were to adopt
- 20 Alternative 6, would Staff see any problem or have
- 21 any problem with moving the Carlyle exchange into
- the access Area A portion?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 MR. BUTTS: Thank you.
- MR. MURPHY: I have one question.
- 4 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 5 BY MR. MURPHY:
- 6 Q. Is the basis for your recommendation of 12 over
- 7 6 or the revised 6 anything other than the balance
- 8 of lives?
- 9 A. I believe I have given my reasons in my
- 10 testimony, and one of the reasons is the balance of
- lives, yes. So there are other reasons. They are
- 12 shown in my testimony.
- MR. MURPHY: Okay. No further questions.
- MR. FODOR: Are you ready?
- Mr. Nelson, it's going to be hard not to call
- you Harvey because we talk all the time. Your
- Honor, would you mind if I slip and do that?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Terribly.
- MR. FODOR: I'm going to try and call you
- Mr. Nelson.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Hold you in contempt.

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1 CROSS EXAMINATION

- BY MR. FODOR:
- 3 Q. Mr. Nelson, I think, before I get on the things
- 4 that I had prepared, you just indicated that Calhoun
- 5 County is not in Area A?
- 6 A. No. I didn't say that. I said it's not in
- 7 Area B.
- 8 Q. Did you include Calhoun County in your Area A
- 9 --
- 10 A. In Area B. It was in Area B.
- 11 Q. Okay. When you made your correction removing
- it from B, did you look over to Area A to see if it
- was there?
- 14 A. No, because it does not meet my criteria of my
- 15 study.
- 16 Q. And your criteria is?
- 17 A. Majority of the territory of a county is the
- basis upon which I chose the counties.
- MR. FODOR: Okay. Again, Your Honor, I would
- really hate to try to put this in the record. I
- 21 believe Harvey has seen this many times in the past.
- The Commission from the time that I became a lawyer

- and started working here sold these things. This is
- 2 a map showing -- entitled Illinois Commerce
- 3 Commission Exchange Boundary Map of All Telephone
- 4 Companies in the State of Illinois. It has a
- 5 plastic -- I hate to use the word overlay, but it
- 6 has a plastic sheet of paper over the top of -- a
- 7 plastic sheet that shows the county.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- 9 MR. FODOR: I'd like to hand it to Mr. Nelson,
- if there's no objection from his attorney or from
- 11 Your Honor, and I'd like to ask him if a majority of
- 12 Calhoun County appears to be in the 618, and we may
- have to do some comparison with other maps to see
- where the 217 and 618 boundary line is.
- Your Honor, do you mind if I approach the
- witness to assist in this process?
- JUDGE ALBERS: Sure.
- 18 MR. FODOR:
- 19 Q. You can look at your other map if you need to.
- I've attempted to draw the 217 boundary line, and it
- 21 appears to me that the 217 -- or excuse me -- the
- 22 618 area code includes all of Calhoun County.

- 1 A. Uh-huh.
- 2 Q. Except a small piece of the Verizon Pleasant
- 3 Hill exchange.
- 4 A. Uh-huh.
- 5 Q. Is that correct?
- 6 A. That's your -- let me ask you a question. Were
- 7 you the one that drew that red line that's on the
- 8 map?
- 9 Q. I drew the red line, and if you'd like to check
- 10 it, please.
- 11 A. Well, how did you determine that?
- 12 Q. By looking at the maps that we have in this
- docket that show where the 217 and the 618 area code
- line are.
- 15 A. Oh, okay. Because when I look at these maps
- that are in the docket, it's my judgment that the
- majority of Calhoun is not in this.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. In Area A.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. And I guess I'm worried because you're using an
- overlay which is very easily able to be slipped, you

- 1 know.
- Q. Okay. I didn't want to confuse anybody.
- A. And, also, this overlay was drawn in November
- of 1979, and, you know, there could be changes.
- 5 Q. Is there any other way we can figure out
- 6 whether Calhoun County is in 217 or 618?
- 7 A. Well, like I said, a portion of it is in 618.
- Q. I guess as long as we're here, does Jersey
- 9 County appear to be in the 618 area code completely?
- 10 A. Again, did you --
- 11 Q. I drew the red line.
- 12 A. Yes, it does. Again, let's have the record
- 13 straight. I did not use your overlay.
- 14 Q. I know.
- 15 A. Which is subject to changes. I used the maps
- that were provided in this docket.
- Q. All right. Well, I'm going to switch gears and
- 18 look at them then.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. I'm looking at Map 12. Have you got that?
- 21 A. Yep.
- Q. Do you see the indication on Map 12 in the very

- top left-hand corner the word Greene?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Do you think that means Greene County?
- 4 A. I don't know what it means.
- 5 Q. Would it help you to look at a state road map
- to see where the counties are?
- 7 A. No, because I didn't use the state road map,
- 8 and I don't think that would be a fair comparison.
- 9 Q. So would it be fair to say that if, in fact,
- 10 all of Jersey County and most of Calhoun County are
- in the 618 area, that they would be in the Area A
- 12 portion thereof?
- 13 A. Well, they are shown on this map as being in
- 14 Area A, yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. And if I'm correct that they are all or
- mostly within Area A, wouldn't your numbers need to
- be adjusted to show a greater population and a
- 18 greater number of businesses in Area A?
- A. Well, you'll have to define what you mean by
- 20 more and such.
- Q. Okay. Are there businesses in Calhoun County
- 22 that you did not count as part of your business

- 1 numbers for Area A?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Are there residences, households -- well, you
- didn't do households. I'm sorry. Are there people,
- 5 population, in Calhoun County that you did not
- 6 include --
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Are there businesses in Jersey County that you
- 9 did not include in your calculation of Area A?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Are there people, populations?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. You did not include in Area A?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Now, I understand your criteria to be a
- majority of the county has to be in the --
- 17 A. That's right.
- 18 O. -- in the area to be counted.
- 19 A. Right.
- Q. And for that reason you excluded Macoupin?
- 21 A. That's right.
- Q. And you excluded Effingham?

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Were you in the room when Mr. Petrouske was
- 3 testifying?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Did you hear his explanation of how he used the
- 6 census data to determine which percentages of
- 7 Macoupin County and Effingham County to include in
- 8 his calculation?
- 9 A. I heard him, yes.
- 10 Q. Did they sound reasonable to you?
- 11 A. I feel that is one study, and I have one study,
- so, you know.
- Q. Okay. If Mr. Petrouske's numbers are right,
- and we added them to your Map 12 analysis, because
- his analysis was only as to Map 6.
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 Q. Would it increase the number of businesses in
- Area A because of including businesses from Macoupin
- 19 County?
- 20 A. Now you're asking me if I adopt his analysis,
- and as a result that I would use his numbers.
- Q. I'm saying if the Commission adopted it.

- 1 A. Oh, the Commission adopted it.
- 2 Q. If the Commission adopted his analysis and
- 3 tried to apply it to your Map 12 analysis.
- A. Okay. It would appear, yes, there would be
- 5 more, based on his study, yes.
- Q. So to ask the same two questions about Macoupin
- 7 that I asked about Calhoun and Jersey, are there
- 8 not, in fact, people in Macoupin County that you did
- 9 not count?
- 10 A. That's right, because they don't meet the
- 11 criteria.
- 12 Q. I understand. Are there, in fact, businesses
- in Macoupin County that you did not include in your
- 14 --
- 15 A. Because they don't meet my criteria.
- Q. Okay. This is going to be fun. We're going to
- 17 keep going.
- Do you have Map 12 in front of you?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Are there people and businesses in Bond County
- that you didn't include in Area A?
- 22 A. In Area A? Yes, because the majority of them

- don't reside in Area A.
- Q. Okay. Now you say that you did include
- 3 Washington and Clinton Counties.
- A. Correct, because in my judgment the majority of
- 5 the area is in Area A.
- Q. Do you have with you your workpapers?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Oh, I guess before I get to the workpapers I've
- got one more question. Are there people and
- 10 businesses in Randolph County that you did not
- include in your calculations for Area A that are
- 12 within Area A? Looking back at the map. I'm sorry.
- 13 I apologize.
- MR. SMITH: This is No. 12, right?
- MR. FODOR: Yes.
- 16 A. They have been included in Area B because in my
- judgment the majority of the county resides in Area
- 18 B.
- 19 Q. Oh. Okay. So what you're saying is there are
- 20 people and businesses that are actually on the Area
- 21 A side of the line that are being counted in Area B
- 22 calculations.

- 1 A. Uh-huh.
- 2 Q. And the same thing with Bond County.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And I guess the converse would be true with
- 5 respect to Clinton and Washington. We've got people
- on the Area B side that are being counted in the
- 7 Area A side.
- 8 A. So one can say it balances itself. You give
- 9 and you take and you get a number.
- 10 MR. FODOR: Okay. That being said, Mr. Nelson,
- I think I won't make you go through your workpapers.
- 12 I thank you for your time.
- 13 JUDGE ALBERS: Thank you.
- Anyone else? No? I have a few questions then
- for you, Mr. Nelson.
- 16 EXAMINATION
- 17 BY JUDGE ALBERS:
- 18 Q. When you determined which side of the
- demarcation line to include in a particular county's
- 20 population, you mainly looked at where the majority
- of that county existed?
- 22 A. Yes. What I did is I took the map identified

- as Alternative 12 that was prepared by NeuStar. I
- 2 looked at it and in my judgment determined which
- 3 counties had the majority of the areas lying in Area
- A and Area B. Those counties in my judgment that
- 5 did not have the majority of the areas were not
- 6 included in those areas.
- 7 Q. Okay. The last time we heard testimony in this
- 8 docket you didn't want to recommend an overlay over
- 9 a split or vice versa. Do you recall that?
- 10 A. I believe I suggested, yes.
- 11 Q. And you suggested an overlay or Alternative 12.
- 12 A. Right.
- Q. And you still feel the same way as far as one
- or the other?
- 15 A. I favor an all services distributed overlay.
- 16 Q. As a first choice?
- 17 A. That's my primary choice.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. My second choice is Alternative 12. My third
- 20 choice is Alternative 6, and the choice that I don't
- favor at all is Alternative 8 because of the
- 22 disparity in the forecasted lives of the Areas A and

- B in 8 as prepared by NANPA.
- Q. Okay. Going back to your third choice, the
- 3 west side would keep 618?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Can you tell me whether most of the
- 6 rural customers in the 618 NPA already have
- 7 ten-digit dialing when making interexchange calls
- 8 within the 618 NPA?
- 9 A. That is a very confusing subject, as we've
- 10 heard today from the various people that testified,
- so I really can't give you a definite yes or no on
- 12 that. I think today, from hearing from our
- witnesses today, we find that some have seven, some
- have ten, some have eleven, and I'm still confused.
- Q. Why do you think it is that way? That there
- are different ways of doing it?
- 17 A. I suspect it's -- well, it's from a technical
- point of view where they set up their switches, and
- I guess their switches were set up based upon the
- 20 type of service areas they serve. As an example, we
- heard today Home Telephone Company has one exchange,
- so the people are able to contact each other by

- dialing seven. Other companies might have exchanges
- 2 which require -- in the processing of calls that
- 3 require their switches to use ten digits or 1+ as a
- 4 toll indicator. So I think it gets to be kind of a
- 5 technical issue. It might even be a marketing
- 6 issue. I guess it really depends upon the
- 7 individual carriers.
- 8 Q. Okay. And if an overlay is chosen, just so I'm
- 9 clear, when would customers have to dial a 1 before
- the area code?
- 11 A. This is an interesting -- how do I say it? --
- 12 challenge. The FCC in their rulings require
- ten-digit dialing when an overlay is put into
- 14 effect. There have been situations, such as in the
- 15 Chicago area, it's my understanding that for
- technical reasons the carrier out there has to have
- 17 1+10, but that is not an FCC mandate. So for us to
- comply with the FCC mandate let's say in the 618
- area, all the carriers would have to do would be
- 20 provide ten-digit dialing. Then the 1+ then could
- 21 continue to be used as a toll indicator.
- 22 Q. In your calculations you didn't consider farm

- businesses. Is that correct?
- 2 A. No, I didn't.
- 3 Q. Is there any particular reason?
- 4 A. The data that I used, which was the U.S. Census
- 5 data, only indicated non-farm businesses.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 And if a geographic split is chosen, what, if
- 8 anything, prevents a customer in the area to receive
- 9 the new area code from keeping the same seven-digit
- 10 number they have now and just getting a new area
- 11 code?
- 12 A. I really don't see any reason why that couldn't
- happen, unless there are some administrative
- problems with the NANPA, which is the North America
- Number Plan Administrator, since they are the ones
- that assign the NXX codes, but I don't see that --
- 17 you know, if the carriers are working with NANPA, I
- don't see that as being a problem. It's not saying
- 19 it couldn't be.
- Q. You're not certain one way or the other whether
- 21 it would work?
- 22 A. Oh, it would work, yes, because they would be

- getting a new NXX code and a new area code, so we're
- 2 starting all over again.
- 3 Q. But there may be other administrative problems
- 4 associated with doing it that way?
- 5 A. The only thing that I could think of is the
- 6 carrier requesting that specific NXX code that
- 7 contains that telephone number and whether or not
- 8 that specific NXX code is available from the number
- 9 administrator.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. If that code is not available, then they can't
- 12 give them their same seven-digit number.
- JUDGE ALBERS: All right. Thank you.
- Do you have any redirect?
- MR. SMITH: I had just -- excuse me. I had
- just one clarifying question, at the risk of
- 17 redundancy.
- 18 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MR. SMITH:
- Q. Turning to Map 12, Mr. Nelson, I just want to
- 21 make sure I understand your testimony. For those
- 22 counties, Clinton, Washington, Randolph, and Bond,

- when you were looking at the line and you made some
- 2 rounding, and that is to say you put them on one
- 3 side, either A or B, you were looking and making
- 4 your estimate on the geographic portion of the
- 5 county. Is that correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. You didn't do any weighting such as where the
- 8 county seat was or where --
- 9 A. No.
- 10 MR. SMITH: Okay. That's all.
- MR. FODOR: And, Your Honor, before counsel
- goes to redirect, the number that I wrote down in my
- testimony that he was revising and the numbers that
- I had in my notes now appear different. Can I have
- someone clarify for me the revised number that goes
- on line 36? Because if it's --
- JUDGE ALBERS: Mr. Nelson, can you help him
- 18 with that?
- MR. FODOR: I just want to make sure that it
- 20 matches with the discovery that I was provided. On
- 21 page 2 of your supplemental --
- 22 THE WITNESS: Wait a minute. It's on the

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        floor.
              MR. FODOR: Page 2 of your supplemental you
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         revised a number.
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              MR. MOORE: Here's what I've got.
              MR. FODOR: That's what I thought he said, but
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 6
        that doesn't square.
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              THE WITNESS: It will not -- which page? Line
        36?
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              MR. FODOR: Page 2, line 36.
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              THE WITNESS: Okay. Right. Since --
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             MR. FODOR: Number did you say?
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              THE WITNESS: I said 581,526.
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             MR. FODOR: 526. Okay.
              THE WITNESS: And that's the result because I
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        had put Calhoun in the wrong spot.
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             MR. FODOR: Okay. May I -- the discovery
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        appears to have a different number. May I have two
        more questions, please?
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              JUDGE ALBERS: I guess if we're trying to
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        clarify something, go ahead.
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1 CROSS EXAMINATION

- BY MR. FODOR:
- 3 Q. Are you familiar with the fact that I sent data
- 4 requests to your counsel?
- 5 A. Yes, yes.
- Q. And you've responded with your workpapers.
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. If I showed you a document, would you recognize
- 9 whether or not it's your workpaper?
- 10 A. Sure.
- MR. STANTON: Mr. Fodor, I could probably
- short-circuit this. We did this this morning.
- MR. FODOR: Okay.
- MR. STANTON: We made the changes this morning.
- The error was identified this morning. That's why
- it wouldn't be on any workpapers that you have.
- MR. FODOR: No, no, that's not the point.
- MR. STANTON: Okay.
- MR. FODOR: I think when you worked this
- 20 morning, you may have worked off of the wrong
- 21 number.
- MR. STANTON: Okay. Go ahead.

- 1 MR. FODOR:
- 2 Q. The workpaper that I'm handing you is what was
- 3 provided to me by your counsel. Does this look like
- 4 the workpaper that you used?
- 5 A. Okay.
- Q. And we're referring, again, not to the non-farm
- businesses, but just to the population numbers.
- 8 A. Okay. Okay.
- 9 Q. I'm looking specifically at Area B.
- 10 A. Uh-huh.
- 11 Q. And the number that you start with on the
- workpaper is the number that I saw in your original
- 13 testimony.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Your workpaper shows that you subtracted out
- 16 Macoupin.
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. That you subtracted out Washington.
- 19 A. Right.
- Q. That you subtracted out Effingham.
- 21 A. Right.
- Q. And then this morning you were going to make

- 1 that subtraction out for Calhoun.
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. But the number that you revised your number
- 4 with is larger than the bottom line number in the
- 5 workpaper. And I don't wish to make anybody late
- 6 getting back to their spouses.
- 7 A. I feel that the number that I have provided
- 8 today in my -- that I revised today is the proper
- 9 number, and obviously there must have been something
- 10 wrong in that workpaper, and it was not done
- intentionally to confuse the counselor, and let the
- 12 record show that even with these corrections, it
- does not change my recommendation for the population
- that Area A should retain the 618 area code
- designation because there are still more people in
- 16 Area A than in Area B.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. So my conclusions, even though we have a
- disagreement as to the numbers, does not change, and
- let me emphasize, counselor, I am supporting you and
- 21 your three companies in the designation of 618 to be
- 22 retained in Area A if the Commission should choose

- 1 my Alternative 12.
- 2 MR. FODOR: Thank you.
- 3 THE WITNESS: You're welcome.
- 4 MR. MURPHY: I have some follow-up to your line
- of questioning, about seven-digit dialing, if I may.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Normally I don't like getting
- 7 into this. Any objection from --
- 8 MR. STANTON: Go ahead.
- 9 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. MURPHY:
- 11 Q. The Judge asked you about people getting
- 12 seven-digit number changes.
- 13 A. Okay.
- 14 Q. I want to clarify the Commission's position on
- 15 the one hand.
- 16 A. Okay.
- Q. And then ask another question on the other. On
- the wireline, for wireline customers, it is my
- understanding that the FCC now has rules about how
- 20 numbers can be assigned.
- 21 A. Okay.
- 22 O. Is that correct?

- 1 A. Right.
- 2 Q. Is that your understanding?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And as a general characterization, is it fair
- 5 to say that only 1/1000 block can be assigned at a
- 6 time? A single thousandths block can be assigned at
- 7 a time. Is that your understanding of the FCC
- 8 rules?
- 9 A. In non -- explain that to me.
- 10 Q. Okay. If I get a new NPA.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. And a new NXX.
- 13 A. Okay.
- Q. Under the FCC rules.
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 Q. I am suppose to assign numbers to customers out
- of a single thousandths block at a time.
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. Is that your understanding of the FCC rules?
- 20 A. Okay.
- Q. Is it your understanding of the FCC rules? Yes
- 22 or no?

- 1 A. No, because I don't understand it. If they are
- 2 assigned a NXX code, okay, then they are able to
- 3 assign the numbers out of the NXX code.
- 4 Q. Any number out of the entire 10,000 number code
- in any order. Is that your understanding?
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. Okay. So it would be your understanding that
- 8 if, because of an area code split, customers on the
- 9 side of the split that gets the new area code could
- 10 be given the same seven-digit number under the FCC
- 11 rules.
- 12 A. It's my understanding, yes.
- Q. Okay. Bear with me for a second. Assume,
- hypothetically, if you don't understand them this
- way, that the FCC rules require that numbers be
- assigned out of a single thousandths block at a
- 17 time.
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. Even if that's the case, is it your
- 20 understanding in a split situation customers could
- still get their same seven-digit number even if it
- 22 did not meet that condition?

- 1 A. Hypothetically?
- Q. (Nods head up and down.)
- 3 A. If it didn't meet that condition, then I would
- 4 say NANPA could not assign them the numbers.
- 5 Q. Well, it wouldn't be NANPA assigning them. The
- 6 phone company would get the entire ten thousandths
- 7 block. The question is what the phone company's
- 8 obligation is under the FCC rules.
- 9 A. Oh, now we're talking the phone company.
- 10 Q. The phone company has to assign line numbers to
- its customers.
- 12 A. Okay. All right.
- Q. Assume with me for a second that the rule
- suggests or requires that customers be assigned line
- numbers out of a single thousandths block at a time.
- 16 A. Sequential numbering.
- 17 Q. Sequential numbering.
- 18 A. Okay. I will accept that hypothetically.
- 19 Q. If that is the FCC rule, is it your
- 20 understanding that in the case of a split companies
- 21 would not be tied to that rule, but would be allowed
- 22 to give their customers the same seven-digit number

- in the new area code even if it wasn't sequential?
- 2 MR. STANTON: You're asking for his
- 3 understanding and not a legal --
- 4 MR. MURPHY: No, I'm asking -- I'm sorry.
- 5 Finish your objection.
- 6 MR. STANTON: You're not asking his legal
- opinion based on, you know, your hypothetical
- 8 interpretation of the FCC's rule, are you?
- 9 MR. MURPHY: Let me ask it this way.
- MR. STANTON: Okay.
- MR. MURPHY:
- 12 Q. Assuming my hypothetical, if that's right,
- would it be your recommendation that the Commission
- 14 allow companies to assign the same seven-digit
- number even if it's out of sequence?
- 16 A. As long as that process does not violate the
- 17 numbering assignment guidelines.
- 18 O. So would --
- 19 A. So, in other words, I'm not trying to -- I am
- 20 not going to recommend something to the Commission
- 21 that violates state or federal rules.
- 22 Q. Okay. I'm going to switch gears here;

- 1 wireless.
- 2 A. Okay.
- 3 Q. Is it your understanding that wireless
- 4 carriers, assuming a split, who are in the new area
- 5 code are entitled to get the same NXXs as the ones
- 6 they give up?
- 7 A. Entitled.
- 8 MR. STANTON: If you don't know, you don't
- 9 know.
- 10 A. Well, I have a problem with the word entitled.
- 11 Q. Okay. Let me state it this way, and let's just
- 12 use a hypothetical number. I think it will make it
- 13 clearer. Assume that a carrier who has got a rating
- 14 point in Wabash County, since it's all the way on
- the east it's definitely going to be -- everybody is
- going to be on that side of the line. A carrier,
- wireless carrier in Wabash County, a rating point in
- Wabash County has the prefix 618/222 today.
- 19 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. A new area code is assigned to Area B.
- 21 A. Uh-huh.
- 22 O. Can that wireless carrier demand from NANPA

- 1 that it be given new area code 222?
- 2 A. I don't know.
- 3 Q. You told the Administrative Law Judge that you
- 4 understood customers could all have the same
- 5 seven-digit numbers.
- 6 A. That's my understanding, yes.
- 7 Q. If wireless carriers cannot require NANPA to
- give them the same NXXs in the new area code, can
- 9 they guarantee that their customers will keep the
- same seven-digit number?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Does that change your prior answer or clarify
- your prior answer to the Administrative Law Judge?
- A. All that you're saying is wireless.
- 15 Q. Yes. All I'm saying is wireless.
- 16 A. All right. We're not discussing wireline.
- Q. We're not discussing wireline.
- 18 A. So there could be a difference. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Well, let me ask it this way. Is it your
- 20 understanding that wireline customers will receive
- the same seven-digit number in the new NPA that they
- had in the old NPA?

- A. As I indicated, if they requested it, it was my
- 2 understanding that they could.
- 3 Q. And is it your understanding that wireless
- 4 customers could receive the same seven- digit number
- in the new NPA as they had in the old NPA?
- A. That would be my understanding, yes.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. Now, you know, you can always ask for these
- 9 numbers, and these would be requested -- these NXXs
- would be requested, you know, and you've mentioned
- 11 the 1,000 blocks. Maybe that customer has a number
- in that 1,000 block, so he would get the number.
- Q. But if you didn't have the number in the 1,000
- 14 block, then he wouldn't get the number.
- 15 A. That's what you're telling me, yes.
- Q. Well, I guess I'm asking you whether it's
- always the case that the customers get the same
- seven-digit number or is it contingent on something?
- 19 A. It's contingent upon them requesting the
- 20 number, the customer.
- 21 Q. The customer requesting the number from their
- phone company.

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And is it contingent on the phone
- 3 company getting the same NXX in the new NPA that it
- 4 had in the old?
- 5 A. Correct.
- Q. And does the carrier have any control over
- 7 whether it gets the same NXX in the new NPA as it
- 8 had in the old?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 MR. MURPHY: Thank you. No further questions.
- JUDGE ALBERS: Okay.
- MR. STANTON: Give me a couple minutes.
- (Whereupon a short recess was taken.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record.
- Did Staff have any redirect?
- MR. STANTON: No, Staff has no redirect.
- 17 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- 18 (Witness excused.)
- 19 Then I believe the only thing else to take care
- of today is my list, my summary of people's
- 21 positions, and to determine whether or not anyone
- 22 wants to file briefs, and we'll go off the record to

- discuss that.
- 2 (Whereupon at this point in the
- 3 proceedings an off-the-record discussion
- 4 transpired, during which ICC Staff
- 5 Exhibit 4.0 Revised was physically marked
- for identification by the Court
- 7 Reporter.)
- JUDGE ALBERS: Back on the record.
- 9 Mr. Fodor has a strong desire to file a short
- brief on this matter by tomorrow. If anyone chooses
- 11 to reply to that brief, they may do so by Friday,
- 12 February 22nd.
- 13 Anything else?
- MR. MURPHY: I have to file a late-filed
- exhibit, which I believe is two pages, and we would
- try to file it by tomorrow or Monday, but I don't
- 17 need to comment on it.
- 18 JUDGE ALBERS: Okay. Thank you.
- And then with that said, I'll just continue
- this generally since whatever option is selected by
- the Commission, we'll need to figure out an
- implementation schedule. So all right. Thank you.

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